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Wu Pei-fu Counter-Attacks.

LATEST WAR REPORTS FROM THE DIFFERENT ZONES.

Following the example of other victorious Chinese leaders, General Chang Kai-shek is demanding a large sum from the merchants in Wu-han.

"Wu Pei-fu," after rallying his men, has made the first move in his counter-attack.

A series of war reports are given below:—

### Forms of Frightfulness.

Cables received by two different sources in Hong Kong allege that General Chang Kai-shek, commander-in-chief of the Canton Nationalist Army, has ordered the Wu-han (Wuchang, Hankow and Hanyang) Chambers of Commerce to provide a large sum, on immediate payment, for war funds.

One message says that the amount demanded is \$2,000,000. The other states that \$300,000 was paid over.

Other forms of "frightfulness" attributed to Chang Kai-shek include the alleged detention of a Chinese editor, and the start of a strict censorship.

A Chinese report insists that financial transactions and the money market are at a standstill in Hankow native city, on account of the Nationalist troops using Canton "treasury bills" which are not known there.

### Merchants Under Fire.

Fighting on the Hankow front has broken out again.

A delegation of merchants from Hankow, while crossing the river to negotiate with the northern generals defending Wuchang, were fired upon by Nationalist forces.

Subsequently the merchants tried to get over again, their object being to "buy out" the northern garrison to save further bombardment. They succeeded in entering Wuchang. A military conference was called. During the meeting, the southerners opened a heavy attack on the city. The attendance broke up to attend to the fighting and the merchants did not get a reply.

### Northerners Fight Again.

Further bombardment on Wuchang by the southerners is reported but the defenders were still holding out determinedly.

Meanwhile Wu Pei-fu has moved some troops southwards. One division that was in the thick of the battle around Hanyang immediately went into the firing line. Reinforcements are arriving for Wu Pei-fu, whose centre has now turned back to an extent to challenge the southerners again.

It is stated that Wu Pei-fu's objective is a grand assault on Hankow, to raise the siege of Wuchang. The action to the north of Hankow, between Wu Pei-fu's "die-hard" and the southern vanguard was not prolonged nor decisive.

### Before Winter Set In.

A semi-official source announces the fact that while hammering away at Wuchang, the southerners will attempt a final drive against Wu Pei-fu's present line, such being necessary to obtain a decision before the winter sets in when hostilities will slow down.

In political circles, it is believed that the proposal to transfer the Nationalist capital from Canton to Wuchang (when it is taken) is due to "internal moves" in the Kuomintang Party.

Stress is also laid on the possibility of General Li Lieh-chun (an old Republican) taking command of the southerners on the Kiangsi front.

A training batch comprising Russians and Chinese has been sent from Canton to the far north of China to act with the Christian general's Kuominchun.

### Russian Guns Arrive.

With Wuchang as an impediment, the southerners have still not attacked Kiangsi to any extent. There have been minor skirmishes here and there. Troops are being moved in southern Hunan in preparation for an invasion. Marshal Sun Chuan-fang is still torn between peace and war but his subordinates are concentrating at vulnerable points.

Other military movements are reported from the Kwangtung, Fukien frontier. The Nationalists are handicapped by bandit activities and the Russians by internal dissension. A small batch having gone over to the Cantonese, true

trating the first offensive of ten days ago.

A pro-Kuomintang organ hints that another shipment of Russian artillery has arrived at Whampoa, comprising 10 field pieces and a number of "75's."

### Official Naval News.

Latest reports to reach the Naval authorities in Hong Kong state:—

Wuchang is still untenable and assaults have been repulsed.

The southern forces have taken Hsiaoan on the Peking (to Hankow?) Railway and are reported to be advancing.

Hankow is practically denuded of troops and it is presumed that they have gone down the Yangtze River to reinforce the troops opposed to Marshal Sun Chuan-fang on the Kiangsi border.

All is quiet at Hankow. The southern forces have demanded \$400,000 from the Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

### Situation Unchanged.

Hankow, September 13.

The week-end passed quietly, with the situation absolutely unchanged.

In view of Wuchang's determined stand it is believed that the defenders are in communication with Wu Pei-fu and are hoping for relief from the North very soon.

A foreigner arriving from Honan this morning reports that Wu Pei-fu is at present at Sinyangchow, while Southerners have reached Kwangshui, near the Honan border. Rumours are rife about Sun Chuan-fang's movements, but no authentic reports are available. It is stated that his troops are rapidly moving here from Kiangsi.—Reuter.

## RED RIDING HOOD.

CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME PROJECT.

K'LOON LITTLE MUMMERS.

A project is in hand to present a pantomime, with local talent, at Christmas, the selected title being "Little Red Riding Hood."

Mrs. Gay Cumming and Miss Daisy O'Keefe are the sponsors. Mrs. Gay Cumming organised the "Little Mummies" of Kowloon last year, when Cinderella was delightfully staged by little tots, the proceeds going to charity.

This year Miss O'Keefe will be in sole control of the dancing. The object again, of course, is to benefit charity.

Unfortunately, some of the Mummies are not available. Those of this party, and others who would like to join, are requested to communicate at once with Mrs. Gay Cumming, No. 6, Observatory Villas, Kowloon (telephone K 363).

Had it not been for the recent illness of Miss O'Keefe, rehearsals would have commenced. A start has to be made as soon as possible. Names are wanted, so that parts can be allotted and then the sponsors will get to work.

If results of last season are any criterion, "Little Red Riding Hood" will be a big success. Mrs. Gay Cumming has done a good deal in a labour of love and Kowloon kiddies had received considerable benefit. The present call for names will provide an opportunity for others to join in.

Further announcements will appear in due course.

Tokyo, September 8. — The dumb and the blind will no longer be free from the compulsory school law. An edict of the government says that these unfortunate must attend school and that the department of education must provide special teachers and Braille textbooks. "Either the dumb and blind could attend schools in certain cities but there was no compulsion."

## SECOND EXPEDITION.

New Naval Party for Ichang.

ADMIRALTY PRAISES RESCUERS.

Commander-in-Chief Going to Negotiate.

Hankow, September 14. With regard to the second Naval expedition to Wanhien, in addition to the gunboats already up-river, H.M.S. "Cricket" left here during the week.

H.M.S. "Bee" leaves to-day while a detachment of about seventy strong is proceeding by a passenger steamer to Ichang to-night where they are joining the members of the last expedition.

Details of the proposed procedure have not yet been given for publication.—Reuter.

### Disquieting Rumours.

Chinese cables report:— "Fearing further trouble, the Chinese populace at Wanhien is leaving for Liangshan."

A statement denied by semi-official circles is that General Yang Sen, after the bombardment, brought reinforcements of artillery up the heights around Wanhien, including a number of field-pieces.

### Our Admiral's Mission.

London, September 14.

Vice-Admiral Sir Edwyn Alexander-Sinclair is going to Ichang to meet the deputation which General Yang Sen has offered to send there to discuss the Wanhien affair.

Firing on foreign ships has ceased.—Reuter.

[Note: A wireless report yesterday indicated that the commander-in-chief was on H.M.S. "Hawkins" at Hankow and that Rear-Admiral Cameron (S.N.O., Yangtze) was going to Ichang to negotiate.]

### Admiralty's Despatch.

Rugby, September 14.

The following has been sent by the Admiralty to the British Naval commander-in-chief in China.

"Having received your telegraphic report of the expedition to Wanhien on Sunday, September 5, their Lordships will deeply regret the loss of valuable lives and the number of casualties suffered, note that the traditional gallantry of His Majesty's Service was fully sustained by all officers and ratings who took part in the hazardous expedition which resulted in the extrication of H.M.S. "Cockchafer" from her dangerous position and the rescue with one exception of the British mercantile marine officers of the two steamers. "Their Lordships desire that an expression of their warm appreciation may be conveyed to all officers and ratings concerned."—British Wireless Service.

### Agitators Busy.

Intelligence received by Naval headquarters at Hong Kong conveys:—

Hankow papers commenting on the Wanhien incident state that the fault lies with General Yang Sen.

Several factories, foreign and Chinese, have closed down and labour unions are active. There is no further firing at passing steamers and sailings to Changsha from Hankow have been resumed.

### Ship Officers Insured.

London, Sept. 14.

The London insurance market yesterday quoted rates of 7s/6d. a month and 30 shillings for 6 months on approved goods in foreign consignments at Canton and Swatow.

It is understood, says the "Times," that a considerable amount has been written on merchandise in another district at 40 shillings per cent per month but later rates are more than double that quotation mentioned.

It is understood that insurance are also being affected to cover British crews in ships trading in Far Eastern waters, against risks of death or injury, owing to disturbances in China. A rate of 10 per cent on the sums assured was quoted.—Reuter.

### TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2/2 1/2.

Obtained at foot of next column.

## COOLIES WIN.

Judgment Against Mr. Murphy.

LESSENER DAMAGES.

Solicitor On "Truly Disgraceful" Treatment.

An important judgment in which the power of a private person to order the arrest of another was given in the Summary Court this morning by Mr. Justice Wood.

In the course of the concluding stages of the case, in which six Chinese coolies claimed an aggregate of \$1,000 damages from Mr. A. E. Murphy for alleged wrongful arrest at Kowloon Tong, Mr. D. McCallum, for the plaintiffs, said that the freedom of the subject, one of the finest traditions of British justice, had been trespassed on to an extent which was truly disgraceful.

In his final address for Mr. Murphy, the defendant, Mr. R. A. Wadson pointed out that the pass which the coolie originally detained by the Indian guard produced in justification of his possession of life cement bags was applicable in respect of July 9 only and not in respect of the day on which the incidents took place. The foreman, in evidence, had stated it could not hold good on the latter day.

There could be no doubt as to there having been a disturbance, said Mr. Wadson, for an Indian constable had been forced into loading his rifle and blowing his whistle for help. He had also been forced into turning it on to a coolie who had rushed at Mr. Murphy. With regard to a certain amount of difference in what Mr. Murphy thought Mr. Ramsey had said when the former applied to him for advice as to what to do, Mr. Wadson submitted that in the heat of the moment Mr. Murphy would be less likely to remember that Mr. Ramsey had said than Mr. Ramsey himself would.

### "Police Responsibility."

The Chinese interpreter had stated in court that he communicated with the sergeant when Mr. Murphy had arrived at the station and that it was on instructions from the sergeant that he sent out the Chinese constables with Mr. Murphy. Mr. Wadson submitted that from the moment those instructions were received the police acted on their own authority although in consequence of Mr. Murphy's report.

Mr. Wadson submitted that even if Mr. Murphy had said to the Chinese constables when they arrived back on the scene "Here are the men," that this amounted only to a necessary direction to the constables as to the men whom he had seen committing an offence and it could surely not be held that in so directing the constables he had opened himself to a charge of false imprisonment.

In order to prove arrest there must be evidence of it, said Mr. Wadson, and this evidence should come from the plaintiffs. Quoting from law reports, Mr. Wadson said that it was laid down that when in a case of this sort there were only two alternatives, either wrongful arrest by the defendant or by the police, judgment could not be given on either alternative. There must be direct evidence of wrongful arrest by the defendant and he, Mr. Wadson, claimed that the plaintiffs had failed to prove this.

### Mr. Murphy "Justified."

Even if Mr. Murphy had imprisoned the plaintiffs, continued Mr. Wadson, he was justified in view of the fact that a breach of the peace had been committed in his sight.

His Honour: In common law the position is that once the breach of the peace has ceased the power of arrest is at an end.

Mr. Wadson: Even if there is reasonable apprehension of a continuance?

His Honour indicated that he was not of opinion that there could be apprehension of a continuance.

Mr. Wadson was dealing with the attempt which had been made by the coolies to attack Mr. Murphy when His Honour said that the Indian guard had come rather doubtful as to whether there was an attack. He (His Honour) found in fact that there had been an attack. Mr. Wadson: Mr. Murphy said that the coolie rushed at him with his knife clenched and the Indian guard bore him out. If that does not constitute an attack I don't know what does.

## NAVAL RESERVE.

Starts in Hong Kong In 1927?

REASONS FOR DELAY.

Working Scheme Evolved By End of Year.

The "China Mail" has from time to time received enquiries from residents interested in the proposal to form a Royal Hong Kong Naval Reserve, referred to by His Excellency at the last annual review of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Some of our correspondents appeared to be under the impression that His Excellency's remarks indicated the formation of the Reserve as only a question of a few weeks or months and that because nothing has developed the scheme must have fallen through. One newcomer's comment was, "I want to qualify myself to be of use in an emergency and am prepared to join the Volunteer Defence Corps if the Naval Reserve is not to be formed, but my inclinations are all in the direction of the latter. Until something definite is announced with regard to the Naval Reserve scheme I am not inclined to join either."

A month ago the "China Mail" was informed that the local naval authorities were awaiting confirmation of the scheme from Home. Upon enquiry yesterday, the situation was more fully explained to our representative.

It appears that the only delay is in connection with the financial aspect of the matter. A scheme was drawn up in Hong Kong, submitted to His Excellency, the Governor and forwarded by him and by the naval authorities to the respective departments at Home.

The proposal includes the provision of one or two small gunboats or sloops by the Navy for the Reserve, also a certain amount of equipment. On the part of the Hong Kong Government, certain financial obligations in the matter of upkeep and other expenses would be incurred.

A cable was sent from Hong Kong recently enquiring as to how matters stood regarding the scheme. There appears to be little doubt about the scheme being finally approved by both departments at Home but the expense, it appears, will have to be included in the 1927 expenditure. It is anticipated that when the estimates for that year have been more fully gone into at Home sanction will be given and a working scheme will be evolved before the end of the present year which will enable the Reserve in Hong Kong to be formed at the beginning of 1927.

### An Awkward Position.

Mr. Wadson said that undoubtedly when Mr. Murphy arrived on the scene an affair was in progress which might have developed into a civil commotion. All that Mr. Murphy had done was to tell the guards to wait whilst he went to communicate with the police. It was any person's duty to communicate with the police under such circumstances.

"There were between 20 and 40 people on the high way shouting and screaming and using abusive language," said Mr. Wadson. "One of the men rushed at him. It was surely an awkward position to be in. I know I wouldn't like to be in a similar one however many Indian guards there were on the spot. I should have been inclined to take them all to the police station."

In conclusion, Mr. Wadson asked His Honour to find that there had been no wrongful arrest by the defendant or if there had been an arrest at all that Mr. Murphy was justified in his conduct.

His Honour indicated to Mr. McCallum that he did not wish to hear his final address for the plaintiffs.

### The Judgment.

In giving judgment, His Honour said that Mr. Murphy was to his mind perfectly honest in his evidence as to what had happened. From the point where, in consequence of advice from his immediate superior, Mr. Murphy had gone to the police station and returned with police officers, His Honour found that there was an imprisonment by the defendant and that police action had been taken at the request of the defendant.

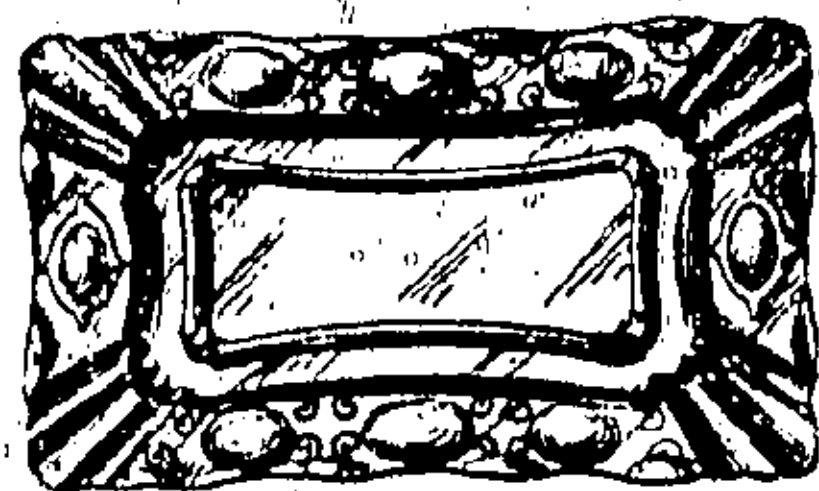
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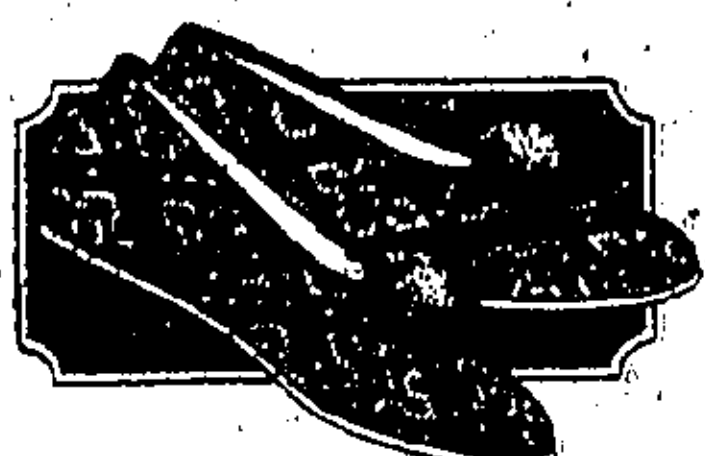
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Acting Commissioner of Customs

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For Kowloon & District.

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Yok Buildings,

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**SEQUEL TO DEATH OF A  
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**CHINESE DRUGGIST FINED.**

Arising from the death of a boy from arsenic poisoning, two Chinese partners, in a drug shop at Shamshuipo, were charged before Mr. J. H. B. Nihill at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with being in unlawful possession of the drug.

Mr. D. McCallum tendered a plea of guilty on behalf of the first defendant and pointed out that the second defendant was only a sleeping partner in the business and took no active part in it. The plea of not guilty on behalf of the second defendant was accepted and he was discharged.

With regard to the other defendant, Mr. McCallum argued that arsenic was very largely used by chemists and druggists and could be easily purchased. The drug found on the premises, he said, was in a drawer when the defendant purchased the business at the beginning of the year, and it was unfortunate that the drug was there when the boy died.

Mr. E. R. Dovey, Government Analyst, stated in evidence that the substance sent to him in rock form contained 99.2 per cent. of arsenic. It could be very easily obtained from Chinese druggists and chemists, but it was a very dangerous thing.

Addressing the defendant, His Worship said that he took into consideration his solicitor's submission of defendant's ignorance of the law; but there was the danger to the public. This being the first case to be brought before him, he would impose a fine of \$100.

**WORLD THEATRE.**

**"THE ISLE OF LOST  
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At the World Theatre to-day and to-morrow "The Isle of Lost Ships" will be shown. It had a previous screening here and proved a very attractive offering. The story revolves about the adventures of a shipwrecked pair who are drawn by the ocean current into that dead mass of marine vegetation which is charted as the Sargasso Sea, where it is said, ships of all ages are gathered.

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**WASHSIE INCIDENT.**

**NAVY LEAGUE'S CABLE  
HOME.**

**MR. STRONG CRITICISM.**

The recent incident at Wansien is the subject of a cable which the committee of the Hong Kong branch of the Navy League despatched yesterday to the Head Office of the League in London. The cable is as follows:

The Committee of the Navy League, Hong Kong, deplore the recent incident at Wansien and desire to express the deepest sympathy with the relatives of those killed.

The Committee consider this useless and regrettable waste of life is directly due to lack of appreciation at Home of the intense critical situation developing in China, which, unless dealt with promptly and firmly, may result in consequences unparalleled in the World's history.

The Committee are strongly of opinion that the loss of life at Wansien was in a measure attributable to lack of sufficient River Gunboat Patrols in all China inland waters, necessitating the use of unsuitable merchant vessels for active Naval Service.

Your assistance in bringing the present position and disturbing outlook to the notice of the proper Authorities is earnestly requested.

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HAWAII MARU .....Monday, 5th October.  
BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.  
SUMATRA MARU .....Sunday, 19th September.  
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR &  
MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.  
PANAMA MARU .....Wednesday, 20th October.  
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.  
BINGO MARU .....Saturday, 25th September.  
BANGKOK—Via Saigon.  
SEKKOW MARU .....Tuesday, 25th September.  
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Japan Ports from  
Shanghai.  
ARIZONA MARU .....Tuesday, 25th September.  
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.  
ARGON MARU .....(From Keelung) End of September.  
JAPAN PORTS  
HONOLULU MARU .....Sunday, 12th September.  
AMUR MARU .....Thursday, 18th September.  
SEATTLE MARU .....Friday, 24th September.  
KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY.  
KAIJO MARU .....Sunday, 19th September noon.  
HOZAN MARU .....Sunday, 26th September, noon.  
TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.  
KOSU MARU .....Wednesday 22nd Sept. 10 a.m.  
TAKAO & KEELUNG.  
KOROKU MARU .....Saturday, 18th September.  
SURABAYA MARU .....Sunday, 26th September.  
DAIREN via CHEFOO and TSINGTAU.  
KINZAN MARU .....Tuesday, 14th September.  
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### STRIKE THREATS.

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#### SEVERE PUNISHMENT.

A circular notice has been  
issued to all shipping companies  
by the Canton Strike Committee,  
reading, inter alia:—

"The Trade Rules jointly drawn  
up by both workers and mer-  
chants, and put into force under  
notification issued by the four  
Chambers of Commerce in Canton  
and this Committee were made  
out for the purpose of safeguard-  
ing the patriotic movement of our  
people to enable them to achieve  
victory at an early date:

"...plan for breaking our  
movement the enemy have taken  
the navigation line as their first  
step; and that when they have  
succeeded in this step they will  
then carry out other extra-  
ordinary plans for breaking our  
strikes, so we must show our  
strong opposition to the first step  
they have now taken, to cause  
them to fail in their attempt, thus  
frustrating their wicked plan, in  
some way or other

"No Indulgence."

"Besides having separately  
notified our subordinates to take  
every precaution, we are specially  
writing to inform you that you  
should refuse to do anything in  
connection with clearance at the  
Customs, or loading of cargo on  
behalf of any steamer which may  
be contrary to the Trade Rules,  
and that intentional offence will  
entail arrest of the offender for  
severe punishment, and the con-  
fiscation of his property. There  
will be no indulgence on our part  
in dealing with such a case, in  
order to safeguard the Rules, and  
to penetrate the real aim of our  
patriotic movement. You must  
therefore respect yourselves, and  
must not make yourselves too late  
for repentance.  
(Signed) Canton-Hong Kong  
Strike Committee."

### LOCAL SHIPPING.

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND  
CLEARANCES.

#### THE MORNING LIST.

This morning, the following  
sea-going arrivals at Hongkong  
were reported:—  
Meneaus (1205) Bri. from  
Liverpool and Singapore; B. & S.  
Santhia (628) Bri. from Yoko-  
hama and Amoy; M. M. & Co.  
New Mathilde (570) Bri. from  
Haiphong; Yik Tai.  
City of Rangoon (nil) Bri.  
from Calcutta; Bank Line.  
Suiyang (500) Bri. from  
Shanghai; B. & S.  
Mingsang (800) Bri. from  
Haiphong; J.M.  
Cheong Shing (2580) Bri. from  
Tientsin; J.M.  
Anomia (6641) Bri. from Los  
Angeles; A.P.C.  
Amazona (1) French from  
Yokohama and Shanghai; M.M.  
Siberia Maru (424) Japanese  
from San Francisco and Shang-  
hai; N.Y.K.

#### Clearances.

For Shanghai: City of Pekin,  
For Milke: Benmohr.  
Departures:  
For Manila: Muensterland.  
For Shanghai: Sado Maru.  
For Amoy: Hai Ning.  
For Singapore: Kwai Sang.  
For Saigon: Amazona.  
For Kwong-Chow-Wan: Hy-  
drangea.

#### MOVEMENT OF STEAMER.

The P. & O. s.s. "Malwa" left  
Shanghai for this port yesterday  
at 6 p.m. and is due here on  
September 17 at about 7 a.m.

### WEATHER NEWS.

Weather conditions are report-  
ed thus in to-day's report by the  
Observatory:—  
9.34 a.m.—Typhoon of un-  
known intensity within 60 miles  
of Lat. 28 N. Long. 123 E., mov-  
ing N.N.E.  
10.30 a.m.—Pressure has in-  
creased considerably at Ishigaki,  
moderately over N. Borneo and  
Japan, and slightly at the  
majority of other reporting  
stations.  
At 6 a.m. this morning the  
typhoon was approaching  
Ishigaki from S.S.W.  
Forecast until noon to-morrow  
for Hong Kong and coast: N. W.  
winds, moderate; fine.

#### FINNISH SAILING SHIP SOCIETY

The Finnish Mercantile Marine  
includes at the present time a re-  
latively large number of sailing  
vessels, namely, 541 vessels of  
more than 20 tons each, represent-  
ing a total of 83,392 tons, and it  
is now reported from Helsinki  
that the leading owners of such  
vessels have formed a society for  
the protection of their mutual in-  
terests under the name of the  
Finnish Sailing Ship Owners' As-  
sociation.

One of the first aims of the as-  
sociation will be to watch very care-  
fully any proposed legislation in  
regard to the conditions and hours  
of labour at sea, this being one of  
the burning questions of the  
moment. The association is seek-  
ing to get the owners of sailing  
ships in all the Baltic countries to  
unite in forming a general associa-  
tion for the purpose of fixing and  
maintaining freight rates in that  
region at a remunerative minimum.  
At the present time the fleets of  
the owners affiliated to the asso-  
ciation represent a total of between  
50,000 and 60,000 tons of Finnish  
sailing ships.

#### DANISH IDLE TONNAGE REDUCED.

A large reduction is reported  
from Copenhagen to have taken  
place in the idle tonnage laid up  
at Danish ports. On July 12, there  
were 34 steamers of a total of  
37,000 tons laid up; on July 19,  
the figures were reduced to 10 and  
35,000 tons respectively, and  
further to 12 and 21,000 tons on  
July 31.

The cause of the improvement in  
the Danish shipping position is  
attributed to the effects of the coal  
stoppage in England; since the out-  
break of which about 900,000 tons  
of shipping is lying in English  
ports, which tonnage has to be re-  
placed in another manner. At the  
same time the transport of coal  
from America has acted favourably  
on freight rates from transmarine  
port to Europe for corn and other  
goods. The freight routes of the  
Danish United Company, which had  
to be restricted to North and South  
America in the spring, are expect-  
ed to be fully restored in the pre-  
sent month.

### RIVER EVENTS.

SYSTEM OF EXAMINATION  
IN FORCE.

#### PIRATES v. GUNBOAT

Cargo and passengers on the  
Hong Kong-Canton Steamboats  
yesterday were very encouraging,  
both on the "up" and "down"  
boat. It is felt that an improve-  
ment has set in since the with-  
drawal of the strike-pickets from  
the river.

The reason for the "holding up"  
of foreign shipping (mostly  
Japanese and Norwegian) on the  
Canton River a few days ago is  
the institution by the Bocca Tigris  
Ports of a system of examination  
which has not yet been put into  
actual operation. Steamers (other  
than the Hong Kong steamboats)  
are made to stop there for ex-  
amination, if necessary. This is  
a Canton Government and not a  
strike measure.

The small gunboat "Fook Hoi"  
after going out past Bocca Tigris  
on a minelaying expedition (to  
guard against possible attack by  
Northern warships), is reported to  
have been captured by pirates.  
Other pirates are active up the  
East River.

A search is now being made  
near Yungki for the many bodies  
of those drowned when the Can-  
ton-Kungyick tow-boat foundered  
(as reported by the "China Mail")  
correspondent at Pakkai).

#### SHIPS IN PORT.

For Shanghai: City of Pekin,  
Gienapp.

British: .....27  
Panama: .....1  
German: .....1  
Japanese: .....3  
Chinese: .....12  
Dutch: .....5  
Portuguese: .....8  
Norwegian: .....2  
Total .....54

#### HARBOUR OFFENCES.

For failing to report the arrival  
of his trading junk, a Chinese  
master was charged and fined \$5  
at the Marine Court this morning.  
A Chinese coolie was sentenced  
to a month's hard labour for going  
on board the s.s. "Santhia" with-  
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Tawau Departure .....  
Semporna Arrival .....  
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NELORE	8,853	29th Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KASHGAR	9,114	11th Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
JEYPORE	5,318	11th Oct.	Marseilles & London
MOREA	10,918	16th Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
NYANZA	7,023	27th Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KHYBER	9,114	30th Oct.	Marseilles & London
MANUVA	10,902	13th Nov.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
DEVANHA	8,155	25th Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KARMALA	9,128	27th Nov.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
NELORE	8,853	9th Dec.	Marseilles & London
MACDONIA	11,089	11th Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
DELTA	8,097	23rd Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KHYA	9,135	26th Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
NYANZA	7,023	8th Jan.	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	10,941	8th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MOREA	10,918	15th Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KASHGAR	9,005	19th Feb.	Marseilles & London
MANUVA	10,902	5th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MONGOLIA	16,504	19th March	Marseilles & London
MACDONIA	11,120	2nd April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
DEVANHA	8,155	13th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KARMALA	9,128	18th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MALWA	10,941	30th April	Marseilles & London
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TALAMBA	8,071	26th Sept.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
SHIRALA	7,841	9th Oct.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TALMA	10,000	18th Oct.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

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ST. ALBANS	4,500	1st Oct.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island,
ARAFURA	6,000	29th Oct.	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, &
TANDA	6,956	2nd Dec.	Melbourne.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	31st Dec.	
ARAFURA	6,000	28th Jan.	
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KARMALA	9,128	29th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
DEVANHA	8,155	30th Oct.	Shanghai and Kobe
TANDA	6,956	2nd Nov.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama
NELORE	8,853	13th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
DELTA	8,097	14th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KHYA	9,135	22nd Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MACDONIA	11,120	25th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
ST. ALBANS	4,500	7th Dec.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama
MALWA	10,941	10th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NYANZA	7,023	13th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KALYAN	9,114	24th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
ARAFURA	6,000	4th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama
MOREA	10,918	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
DEVANHA	8,155	9th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
KASHGAR	9,005	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NELORE	8,853	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
MANUVA	10,902	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
TANDA	6,956	8th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MONGOLIA	16,504	17th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NYANZA	7,023	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
MACDONIA	11,120	4th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
ST. ALBANS	4,500	8th March	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
DEVANHA	8,155	13th March	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KARMALA	9,128	18th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
MALWA	10,941	1st April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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It is assumed that the English tariff will lead to a hardening also of the rates prevailing in Norway for hull insurance. Still, Norwegian underwriters have not yet discussed the new situation, as many of them are at present on their holidays.

## MOVEMENT OF STEAMER.

The P. & O. s.s. "Morea" left Singapore for this port on Sept. 13 at 9 a.m. with the outward English Mail, and is due here on September 16 at about 6 a.m.

The B. I. s.s. "Shirala" left Singapore for this port on September 11 at p.m. and is due here tomorrow at about 6 a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia," Capt. A. J. Hosken, R.N.R., Commander, will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai (Woosung), Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama, at 6 a.m. tomorrow.

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Straits and Calcutta	FOOKSANG	Mon., 20th Sept., at 8 p.m.
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Tientsin via Shanghai	HOSANG	Wed., 22nd Sept., at Noon.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Sat., 24th Sept., at 2 p.m.
Tientsin	CHIPSING	Mon., 27th Sept., at Noon.
Tientsin via Shanghai	YATSHING	Wed., 29th Sept., at Noon.
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There is reason to believe that the men under arrest were those concerned in the outrage and this will be established when they are put up for identification by their victims.

The Colony had a clean bill of health as regards notifiable diseases for the 24 hours ended last Monday.

## CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before 27th September, 1926, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays, between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within the Free Storage period of One Week.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 4th October, 1926 or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th instant at 10 a.m.

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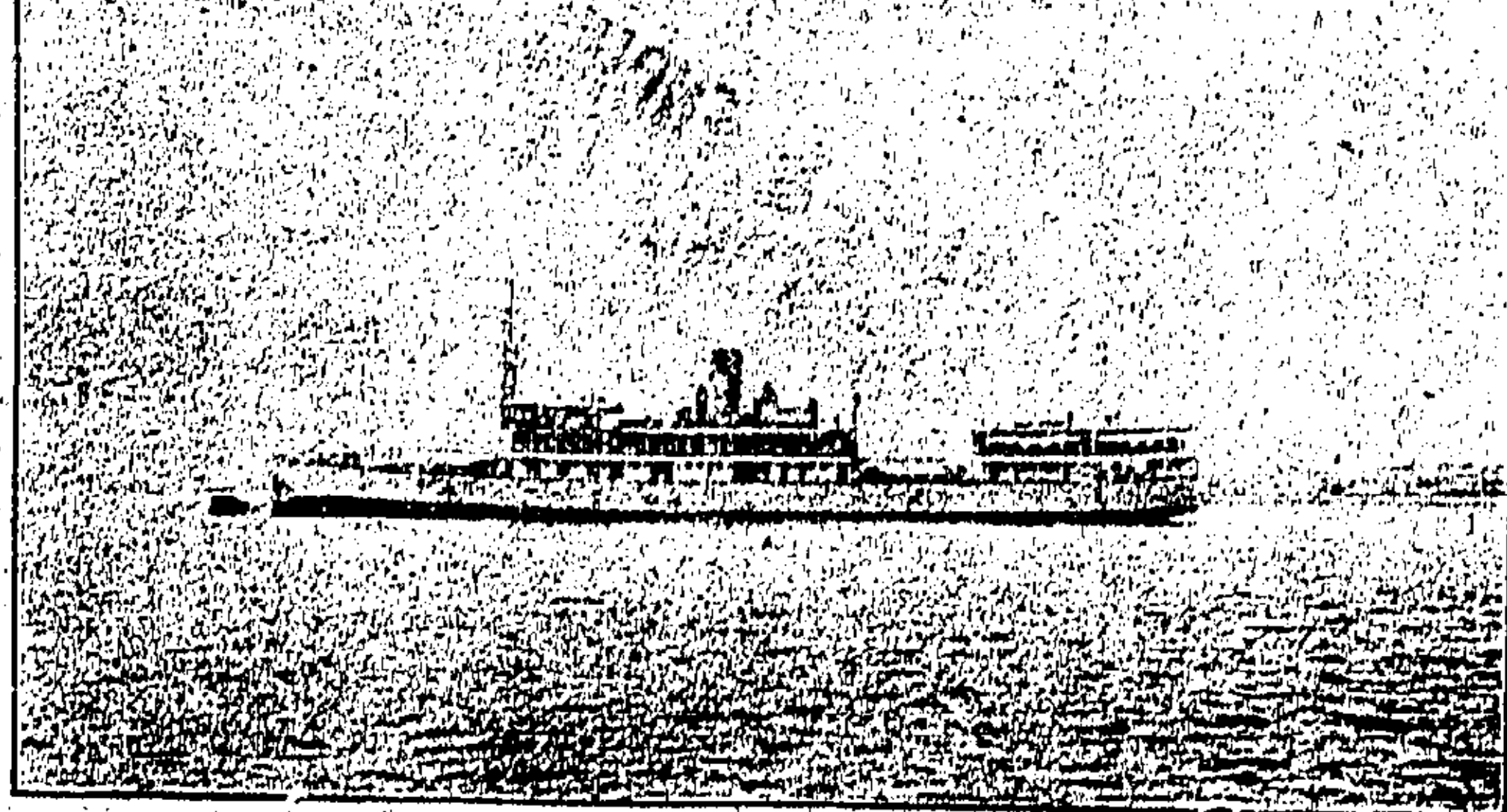
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## POSITION IN CANTON.

Recent reports show that the Canton authorities have been given an opportunity to perform their own natural duties by adequately policing the river and guaranteeing that passengers and cargo proceeding to and from Hong Kong vessels shall be free from molestation. On this understanding it is unofficially reported that the British gunboats have been withdrawn from the wharves of the 'Hong Kong, Macao,' and Canton Steamship Company. Naturally the British Naval authorities reserve the right of further action if Canton's undertaking is not carried out. So far, then, the matter of molestation by the pickets may be regarded as having been satisfactorily adjusted. The Canton authorities have been taught by a simple demonstration that if they are either unable or unwilling to police the river and to place an effectual ban on the illegal activities of the pickets, that duty will be executed for them by the British Navy in the interests of British life and British property. There are to be no more risks taken. The Canton Government realises the determination of the British Naval authorities and has wisely relieved them of a duty that ought to have been Canton's own duty many months ago.

With the adequate policing of the Canton river it is natural that a greater movement of trade between Hong Kong and Canton should be evidenced, although it is too much to expect already that the pickets will altogether desert the streets of Canton. Deprived of a lucrative occupation on the river it is only to be expected that they will concentrate their energies to a greater degree than heretofore on preventing goods getting down to the river and British goods getting into the city from outside. Thus, it would be ridiculous either to call the adjustment of the river policing question a truce or to declare that the time is ripe for re-opening

the negotiations for a settlement of the boycott. There is nothing on which Hong Kong can negotiate. It cannot make terms with the Canton Government for the curbing of the activities of the pickets ashore in Canton. All that can decently be done is to exercise moral suasion on Canton and to point out to her the plain duty of suppressing the pickets entirely in the interests of international trade. Hong Kong cannot go cap in hand at this late date and plead with tears in its eyes for Canton pickets to cease from troubling. So long as Canton continues to connive at the anti-British boycott ways must be found other than by meaningless negotiations—which are a pure waste of time—to terminate a state of affairs created and supported by a so-called friendly province of China. The greatest loss in the long run will not fall on Hong Kong but on Canton, as has been amply demonstrated up to the present.

## Disputes in Sport.

In a good many ways it is to be regretted that so many disputes crop up in the local realm of sport. Faddists have gone to the extent of proving how sport takes a greater share of attention in this Colony than is due. If they are right, there is all the more reason to regret the series of recent incidents connected with play and recreation. Some of the matters are sub judice, others are strictly partisan. 'Seldom is useful purpose served' by going into the rights or wrongs and controversies have raged hotly over the slightest allegation. Can any branch of sport be singled out for special mention as being particularly free from quarrels, deserved or undeserved? The scope being too small, professionalism exists in only the minority of forms of sport. We cannot lay the blame at the door of the paid player but is the amateur also free from blemish? Governing bodies are constituted to construe the meaning of weirdly worded rules. Discipline must be enforced even on the playground but not the discipline of the Prussian Army. With a certain amount of 'give and take' broadmindedness and a constant endeavour to play for the game's sake, unpleasantness can always be avoided even if it is necessary to ask for a decision. There is that time-honoured reply to 'playing for the game's sake' which may be taken to mean: but try to win by fair means if you can as the victory is the essence of competition. Carried a step further, one may well ask: do you play merely to 'tease yourself or to try and win? The attempt to triumph, we submit, is the motive that sustains sport but playing the game is the thing.

## JAPAN'S NEUTRALITY.

Tokyo, September 14.  
It is learned from an authoritative source that Baron Shidehara, speaking separately to the American Ambassador and the Chinese Minister yesterday regarding the Chinese situation, declared emphatically that Japan intends to remain strictly neutral, though she will take steps to protect Japanese interests and influence in the time is ripe for re-opening

## M. P. VISITORS. JAPANESE DELEGATION'S TOUR. IN H.K. TO-MORROW.

The members of the Japanese Parliament who passed through Hong Kong last July on a tour to Java, Australia and the Philippine Islands, for the purpose of getting general information as to the social, political, economical, and particularly educational conditions of those places, are returning to Japan on board the s.s. 'Aki Maru' which is scheduled to arrive here to-morrow at 4 p.m. The party is composed of different political groups, comprising—  
Messrs. H. Higuchi, leader of the party (Kenseikai), S. Hurozumi (Seiyukai), M. Koya (Seiyukai), Y. Ikeda (Seiyukai), D. Ishiguro (Kenseikai), T. Shimazue (Seiyukai). The party is accompanied by Mr. M. Ohki who is the secretary of the Japanese House of Representatives.  
The delegation will continue their homeward trip on the same steamer, and in view of the brief stay here of the 'Aki Maru' no definite programme of entertainment has yet been arranged. Should they stop in the Colony for some days, the Japanese community will undoubtedly be active.  
The Acting Japanese Consul and prominent members of the Japanese community here will go on board the 'Aki Maru' on its arrival here to welcome the visitors.

## TAIKOO LOSS.

FUNERAL OF MR. W. HARDWICK.  
40 YEARS' RESIDENT.

The funeral of Mr. W. Hardwick, of Taikoo, who passed away at the Government Civil Hospital yesterday morning, took place at the Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Hardwick had resided in Hong Kong for just over forty years in the course of which he had made a wide circle of friends by whom he was held in much esteem. He was 62 years of age. Mr. Hardwick, who is survived by his wife and three children (two sons being in the Colony) was a native of Hunslet, Leeds. He was a keen follower of sport and for many years looked after the recreation grounds at Taikoo Club.

Father Page officiated at the funeral, the family mourners being Mrs. J. J. Blake (sister-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. Johnson (sister and brother-in-law) and Mrs. A. J. Stock.

The coffin was borne by four colleagues of the deceased, Messrs. J. C. H. L. Smith, H. Wilson, H. Dinneen and T. Grimshaw. Among those present were Mr. D. Templeton (manager, Taikoo Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.), Mr. E. C. Resker, assistant manager; Mr. K. E. Grigg, dockyard manager; Taikoo, Mr. F. E. Edwards, Dr. M. V. Obrenbaki, and Messrs. S. Boulton, J. Mitchell, W. Wier, M. H. Wallace, R. Dunlevy, J. McIntyre and many others.

Two wreaths, one from Mrs. Hardwick, and her two sons, and another from other members of the family were placed in the grave.

Other floral tributes were sent by the following:

Mr. and Mrs. D. Templeton, Mr. and Mrs. T. Grimshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ironside, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. H. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Barclay, Mr. and Mrs. James Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. A. Craig, Mr. W. D. Bell and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Bird, Mr. and Mrs. Boulton and family, Mr. and Mrs. Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Burn, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mackenzie, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. S. Amery, Mr. and Mrs. Arch. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Thirlwell and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Warnock, Mr. and Mrs. H. Stainfield, Mr. and Mrs. J. Whyte and Jenny, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. J. Simpson, and family, Mr. and Mrs. D. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Blair, Mr. and Mrs. John Ferguson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Muirhead and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Dransfield and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. N. Drummond, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. James Sloan and family, Mr. and Mrs. Peoples, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Morton, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ald. Mr. R. Carroll, Mrs. A. J. Stock, Messrs. K. C. Grigg, J. H. Simmons, F. Edwards, H. Dineley, F. Clark, J. Richmond, H. Howell, S. Hamer, F. P. Lenfesty, A. McPherran, W. J. Johnston, E. Moore, H. Wilson, MacKeechle, W. Brown, M. Obrenbaki.

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## CHINA TO-DAY. MOST CRITICAL PERIOD SINCE 1900. REVIEW OF EVENTS.

That masterpiece of current Chinese history, the China Year Book for 1926, has come to us from its erudite and painstaking Editor, Mr. H. G. W. Woodhead, of Tientsin.

The period covered by this issue of the China Year Book has been the most critical, through which China has passed since the Boxer madness of 1900. Years of civil war and administrative chaos had produced a widespread feeling of discontent and resentment which needed but a spark to burst into flame. Ever since the arrival of Soviet emissaries on Chinese soil they have conducted intensive propaganda to persuade the Chinese that their troubles are due to foreign 'capitalism,' 'imperialism,' and the 'unequal treaties.' Continuous trouble in the Japanese cotton mills in Shanghai during the early part of 1925—which was obviously largely of a political rather than an economic character, inasmuch as the Chinese and British mills, where labour conditions were in no way superior to those in the Japanese, remained unaffected—culminated in the middle of May in an attack upon a Japanese mill by a mob of workers, who broke down the entrance gate, forced their way past a party of Sikh constables and Japanese foremen, and attempted to wreck the machinery. In the course of the melee the Japanese fired, with fatal results to one of the workmen. Demonstrations of an anti-foreign character followed, which came to a head on May 30 in a serious riot in the Nanking Road, the main thoroughfare of the International Settlement. An attack on Louza Police Station resulted in orders to the Police on duty to fire—which they obeyed, causing 29 casualties, of which eleven proved fatal. Of the persons injured, six were students.

The tolerance shown by the Chinese authorities to riotous students in other cities, including the Capital itself, seems to have created a general impression that they were a privileged class, and the action of the Shanghai Municipal Police, on this occasion, proved to be the spark which started a nation-wide conflagration. Resentment was concentrated upon the British, ostensibly because the Police Commissioner at Shanghai, the Inspector in charge of Louza Police Station, and most of the foreign members of the force, were British subjects. Chinese at home and abroad conducted intensive propaganda against the 'massacre' of students by 'the British.' Certain missionary organisations—chiefly American—at once participated in this campaign, protesting against the use of violence in quelling student demonstrations, and adopting many of the catchwords which had been made familiar by the Soviet emissaries. The 'unequal' Treaties were represented as the cause of the whole trouble, and the Chinese and their missionary champions—numerically, only a minority of the Protestant Mission body—proceeded to clamour for their abrogation, involving the abolition of extraterritoriality, the restoration of the Foreign Concessions, and the grant of Tariff autonomy, etc. The Legations, and Foreign Governments and legislatures were bombarded with protests and demands from Chinese and missionary sources. This intensive propaganda produced results which encouraged the Chinese extremists. Senator Borah (Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate) was reported in the middle of June to have advocated the early abolition of Extraterritoriality; and in reply to a protest from the American Chamber of Commerce at Hankow to the effect that such an attitude was 'distinctly untimely and calculated to embolden certain disruptive elements in China,' he cabled back that the American Chamber was 'a part of the Imperialistic trust which exploits the oppressed peoples of the East, especially the people of China, and now they endeavour to put the responsibility for the unavoidable results on the shoulders of others.'

## Troubles Internal.

It may be mentioned in this connection, that Mr. Elias H. Strawn, American Plenipotentiary Delegate to the Tariff Conference, and America's representative on the Extraterritoriality Commission, who came out to China in October, 1925, in the course of an address delivered at Tsinghua College, near Peking, on January 15, 1926, said: 'We hear much about China being the victim of "unequal treaties"; that she is being ground under the heel of imperialism; that her people are suffering from the injustices of extraterritorial rights; and that her sovereign dignity is continuously impinged. Since I have been in China, it has been my duty to study the economic, political and social conditions obtaining here, and while it would be absurd for me to assert that I could accurately

diagnose all of these conditions, I believe I can confidently state that I have thus far seen no convincing evidence that China's present-day troubles are in any degree attributable to the so-called unequal treaties, or to the Imperialistic attitude of the foreign Powers. On the contrary, the evidence seems to be overwhelming that the troubles of China to-day are internal rather than external, and that unequal treaties, extra-territoriality, tariff autonomy, and imperialism are 'political slogans' which are availed of by the agitators to excite the people of China into a frenzy of criticism and unrest.'

The Shanghai incident was followed by a general strike, and by serious anti-foreign outbreaks in the river and coast ports. Toward the end of June the trouble spread to Canton, where a hostile demonstration against the Foreign Concessions resulted in further shooting and a number of casualties. It is significant, and typical of the attitude of certain missionaries towards these anti-foreign outbreaks, that on the day following this affair, the Foreign Faculty of the Canton Christian College, on what was afterwards publicly admitted to be hearsay evidence—mainly the statements of students of the College—adopted resolutions expressing the opinion that 'the blame and responsibility for the merciless and unjustifiable assault rests upon those who directed the firing from Shameen.' The President of the College publicly withdrew resolutions a few days later, too late, however, to undo the mischief they had done.

It was unfortunate that at the moment the Shanghai shooting occurred several of the Foreign Envoys to Peking were absent. The American Legation was awaiting the arrival of a new Minister. The British Legation was in charge of a Counsellor of Embassy who had only just arrived from Japan, the Minister and the Chinese Secretary being absent on leave. The Dutch Minister was also on furlough.

## Chinese Demands.

Within a few days of the trouble a Diplomatic Commission was despatched to Shanghai to make investigations on the spot. This task it accomplished, but the demands put forward for a settlement by the Chinese investigators proved to be beyond the scope of its authority, and it had to return to Peking, and leave the conduct of further negotiations to the Diplomatic Body. Within a few days of the Commission's return it became known that the Diplomatic Body had ordered the censure of the Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council (Mr. Sterling Fessenden, who is an American citizen) and the dismissal of the British Police Commissioner, and also of Inspector Everson, who had actually ordered the firing. It was generally assumed, therefore, that the Diplomatic Commission had found the Council and its officers to blame, and this belief persisted in Foreign and Chinese circles until the publication of the Diplomatic Commission's report, at the end of the year, when, to the general amazement it was found that it severely censured the local Chinese authorities for their negligence, and made drastic recommendations regarding the reorganisation of the Police in adjacent Chinese Territory, but contained nothing reflecting upon the Council or its officers. The Shanghai Municipality refused to accept the orders of the Diplomatic Body on this occasion, and were supported in their objections by the British, Consul General. Later in the year an investigation was held by a Commission of American, British and Japanese Judges, all of whom found that the shooting was in the circumstances unavoidable, though the American Judge considered that the Police Commissioner had not had 'a proper appreciation of his responsibility in the maintenance of peace and good order within his jurisdiction' as shown by his 'absence from his station during the afternoon of that date' (May 30).

The Police Commissioner and Inspector Everson subsequently resigned, their resignations being accepted with regret by the Municipal Council. And the Council offered a compassionate grant to the families of the victims of the May 30 incident, which was refused. The questions arising out of this affair still remain to be settled; but a more reasonable spirit seems to have prevailed on the Chinese side since the inauguration of the 'Greater Shanghai' project by Marshal Sun Chuan-fang. To publish detailed accounts of all anti-foreign outrages during the period under review, together with the official correspondence relating thereto, would require a volume at least as large as this issue of the Year Book. In Chapter XXV, however, the reader will find what is hoped will prove a sufficiently comprehensive description of the events leading up to and succeeding the May 30 incident. As much information as possible is given regarding events in Shanghai and Canton, and a selection of relevant documents is included.

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## MISSION DEATH.

MR. W. A. C. HARDING OF YUNNANFU.

## TRIBUTES AT FUNERAL.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Yunnanfu, September 8.  
The foreign community of Yunnanfu has been stirred to its depths by the sudden death of Mr. W. A. C. Harding, who passed away, after a short illness, on August 30, aged 27 years.

The deceased had complained of liver trouble for about three weeks, and had been treated for this by the Mission doctor of Yunnanfu, Dr. N. Bradley, but getting no relief, it was decided that he should go into hospital for treatment, which he did on August 15, when it was discovered that he had serious kidney trouble.

He continued on strict diet until August 20, when he had convulsions, and in the early hours of the next day blood-letting had to be resorted to in order to save his life.

A slight and very gradual improvement then set in, and hopes were held out of his ultimate recovery, and the improvement continued all the following week, until August 30, when at mid-day a sudden collapse set in, due to heart failure, and all hopes of saving his life were abandoned. He passed away at 2.15 p.m.

The funeral took place on September 11 at the foreign cemetery, and practically the whole of the foreign community turned out to pay their respects to the deceased.

## Chinese Tributes.

A service was held in the hospital chapel at 9.30, and the cortege started from there at 10.00, reaching the cemetery at about 11.00 where the ceremony was conducted by Rev. A. Evans of the United Methodist Mission, and the Rev. H. A. C. Allen, of the C.I.M. Mr. D. J. Harding was supported by Rev. H. G. Clark, of the Australian Mission and Mr. H. N. Bishop.

The floral tributes were very numerous and beautiful, and many Chinese, who had been familiar with the deceased, attended the funeral. The large number who attended the ceremony attested to the high respect in which the deceased was held by all.

The sympathy of all goes out to the father, Mr. D. J. Harding, whose daughter died under similar circumstances only four years ago in Yunnanfu. The two lie side by side.

Sympathies also go out to Mrs. Harding and the two boys in England, one of whom is twin to the deceased.

"We can never forget him."

## K.K.K.

## PARADE OF WHITE ROBED HOSTS.

## NAMES KEPT SECRET.

Washington, Sept. 14.  
The Ku Klux Klan opened their third biennial Klanvocation today. It was preceded yesterday by a spectacular parade of white-robed hosts through Washington's main thoroughfare.

Although the Klanvocation was attended by many thousands of Klansmen all names were kept secret, and, whilst newspaper men are admitted to the exercises they are not given the names of the speakers or the presiding officers. The principal speaker was introduced as "The Exalted Cyclops." He predicted the exclusion of emigrants to the United States within a few years and declared that the recent Eucharistic Congress in Chicago was a challenge to America.—Reuter's American Service.

[A Washington cable of August 13 stated:—The Ku Klux Klan has requested permission to march unmasked up Pennsylvania Avenue from the Peace Monument at the foot of Capitol Hill to the Treasury Department, on September 13. Major Edwin B. Hesse, Superintendent of Police, said a permit would be granted as a matter of form. He refused permission for the Klan to march masked.]

## FOREIGN MISSIONS.

## GEN. CHANG'S REPLY TO EUGENE CHEN.

In connection with the recent announcement by Canton regarding property of foreign missions, General Chang Kai-shek has issued the following, dated noon September 3, 9 miles from Wuchang:—

Minister Chen,  
Waichao (i.e. Foreign Ministry),  
Canton.

Your telegram of 25th duly noted.

Regarding protection to foreigners, I have given instructions to all armies not to occupy or disturb churches and schools established by foreigners. Please transmit this for information.

## ALIEN LABOUR.

## CONDITIONS OF ENTRY TO BRITAIN.

## LIGHT ON THE SYSTEM.

Rugby, Sept. 14.

The report of the Ministry of Labour for 1925 gives some particulars of conditions under which aliens are permitted to enter this country to take up employment.

In the grant of permits regard is had to the conditions of the labour market, and aliens are not admitted to take work which could be equally well done by British or foreign persons already domiciled in the country.

Permits were refused in 120 cases to theatrical and musical artists, and 1,816 granted; 128 were refused to foreign clerks and students, and 580 granted. Of hotel employees, 57 were refused and 187 granted; 15 were refused to teachers of languages and 328 granted. Of domestic servants and nurses 415 were refused, and 1,540 granted.

The total number of permits refused has been 1,104 and there were 5,349 granted.

In the case of hotel and restaurant employees permits were issued in most cases on condition that a British youth was sent abroad in exchange for an alien, in order that he could obtain facilities for learning foreign languages and for gaining experience in hotel business abroad.

A limited number of permits was granted to assist in setting up new industries in this country, such as artificial silk and beet sugar, and only on condition that the aliens were employed to train British subjects in the new process.—British Wireless Service.

## TRAIN SMASH.

## RUNAWAY TRUCKS JUMP OVER MAIL.

## NEARLY 80 CASUALTIES.

Sydney Sept. 14.

A railway accident occurred at Murrumbidgee, 100 miles north-west of Newcastle, which is described as the worst ever known, 26 persons being killed and 50 injured.

Four trucks, laden with wool, became detached from a goods train and ran downhill and crashed at the rate of 60 miles an hour into the north-west mail train, which was running at a speed of 40 miles an hour.

The truck jumped over the engine and first coach of the mail train and wrecked the second coach. The driver and fireman of the mail train were practically unhurt.—Reuter.

## NAWORTH DISASTER.

## Verdict Against a Dead Man.

London, Sept. 14.

At the inquest on the victims of the Naworth railway crossing disaster on August 30 a verdict of manslaughter was returned against the level crossing gatekeeper, Oliver, who, the jury found, was killed as the result of his own negligence.—Reuter.

## NAVAL MISHAP.

## SEQUEL TO SUBMARINE'S SINKING.

## LIEUTENANT DISMISSED.

Devonport, Sept. 9.

The court-martial held in connection with the disaster to Submarine H.29 on August 9 sentenced Lieutenant Malcolm Edgar Wevell to be dismissed from his ship and severely reprimanded.

The Court found that the hazardous nature of the vessel was due to accused's omitting to give orders for trimming the submarine in a definite manner, not immediately investigating the flooding of the tanks, and omitting to ensure that the hatches were closed before the tanks were flooded.—Reuter.

## REBEL COLONEL.

## SOLITARY CONFINEMENT FOR LIFE.

Madrid, September 14.

The Court-Martial, composed of General Officers sitting at Segovia, sentenced to death the Colonel Commanding the Army Artillery School in connection with the recent unsuccessful revolt, but His Majesty, in accordance with a Government suggestion, has commuted this to solitary confinement for life.

Thirty officers of the school were sentenced to temporary solitary confinement.—Reuter.

## NO MAJORITY.

## FORECAST OF ELECTIONS IN CANADA.

## TEN SLANDER ACTIONS.

Ottawa, Sept. 14.

The early election returns indicate that the Government will be unable to secure a majority in the new Parliament unless the returns from Western Canada prove a surprise.

The contest has been bitter, and will result in at least ten slander actions pending among political leaders, including an action by Mr. Mackenzie King against a Toronto paper for £50,000 damages and two actions by Mr. Stevens, Minister of Customs, against two newspapers for £20,000 each.

Stormy scenes took place at the meetings of the campaign in Montreal where Mr. Pattenaude, Minister for Justice, was unable to obtain a hearing. Fierce encounters occurred between his supporters and his opponents, eggs, tomatoes, and other missiles being thrown.—Reuter.

## THE "PHIL."

## ANNUAL REPORT TO MEMBERS.

## ITEMS IN ACCOUNTS.

The report of the Hong Kong Philharmonic Society for 1925-6 (to be presented at the annual meeting, 5.30 p.m., September 27, (Cathedral Hall), reads:—

The membership of the Society numbers 130.

The Gilbert and Sullivan opera "Iolanthe" was produced at the Theatre Royal in December to crowded houses, and resulted in a profit of \$341.73. It was at first thought that the profit was nearly \$700, but some unexpectedly heavy bills came in after the \$600 shown in the accounts had been distributed to the charities named. This resulted in a loss of \$258.27 being carried to the General Account. Your committee recommend that in future years any distribution of profits be determined at the annual general meeting.

The proposed concert in the spring was abandoned owing to the poor support given by the members. It is with regret that the committee have to report the resignation of Sir Claud Severn who had been the President of the Society since the re-start in 1922.

Mr. C. E. H. Beavis, who has taken a great interest in the Society since 1904, has kindly accepted the post.

The Society has also sustained a great loss by the resignation of Mr. Stanley Collett from the post of hon. musical director and conductor on proceeding to England.

Advertisements were inserted in the papers for a successor, and one reply was received, Mr. W. R. Fleming being appointed to the post.

## Other Changes.

Messrs. Piercy and Mathieson resigned from the committee on leaving the Colony, and Messrs. Ost and Bowes-Smith were co-opted in their place.

Mr. Gillingham carried on the duties of hon. secretary until December, when he resigned and the work was taken over by Mr. H. J. Best.

The post of hon. treasurer was fulfilled for the season by Miss R. Mow-Fung who, since the close of the financial year, has hurriedly left for England owing to the illness of her sister. Mr. H. J. Best is at present acting in her place.

The committee desire to express their thanks to all those who worked so hard to make the opera a success; to the Cathedral Body for the use of the Cathedral Hall for committee meetings, etc., and to Messrs. Thomson & Co. for kindly auditing the accounts.

The Society is to be congratulated on carrying forward a balance of \$892.72 to season 1926-7.

Under "Iolanthe" account, receipts, appear:—sale of tickets (net) \$6,345.97, advertisements in programmes \$600.

Other receipts for the year (including old, carry forward) totalled \$1,594.87.

## GEN. CHANG'S BROTHER.

The brother of General Chang Kai-shek is reported to have arrived in Hong Kong yesterday on the "Lungshan," but it is not known if he is on any mission.

A message from Akynab reports a volcanic eruption on Ramri Island, Lower Burma, near the township of Kyaukpaya, hill about 500 feet high was thrown up, covering 50 acres of agricultural land. The heat destroyed the plants over an area of 150 acres. No lives were lost.

## KOWLOON TONG.

## ARE ITS REQUIREMENTS OVERLOOKED?

## A READER'S VIEW.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir.—In view of the fact that there are over 150 houses practically completed on the Kowloon site, some eighty of which are being occupied, is it not time that a station connection was made with the Kowloon-Canton railway?

There is a bus service along the Kowloon City Road but this is a considerable distance away from many of the houses and in view of the fact that the railway runs right through the estate it would surely be in the interests of the railway quite apart from the convenience afforded if a halt was built at Kowloon Tong.

Several schemes have been mooted only to fall through and it seems that the inhabitants of a growing locality are to get nothing after all. First of all a branch railway line to Kowloon Chai and Kowloon City was mooted and now that seems to have fallen through; then there was a scheme in connection with the running of trams in Kowloon in which the interests of the Kowloon Tong inhabitants were to be looked after. And now it appears that we are not even to get a halt, if my information is correct.

It should not be forgotten that the settlement here is quite a substantial one and is likely to be quite a factor in the Colony's life, significant too of the progress which is everywhere in evidence on the peninsula. It constitutes a substantial contribution to the housing problem and the scheme under which the opportunity is afforded tenants of owning their own houses at a reasonable cost is a worthy effort to encourage and reward thrift. I hope the claims of Kowloon Tong to suitable recognition and provision of facilities in accordance with its importance will not be overlooked for ever.

Yours, etc.,

A RESIDENT.

Kowloon Tong, Sept. 14.

[From enquiries it appears that the scheme for providing a halt at Kowloon Tong entailed greater difficulties than at first anticipated owing to the gradient from Yau-mati, to the tunnel and the necessity for a level track for some distance in establishing a station. The scheme for connecting up Kowloon Chai and Kowloon City was never more than a suggestion, we are informed, and for the present, at any rate, the locality is considered to be sufficiently served by the buses.—Editor of the "China Mail."]

## THIEVING YOUTHS.

## BOY SCOUTS' LIBRARY STOLEN.

## BROKE INTO CLUB.

Not many are aware that in one of the small buildings adjoining the path through the Happy Valley grounds is a club house for the Hong Kong Boy Scouts.

The movement to provide the Scouts with club facilities was progressing gradually and several well-wishers had sent books and other contributions.

Finding the place closed yesterday, two unemployed youths broke into the club room by smashing a pane of glass and unfastening the bolt. They were walking away with a dozen books when they were detected and arrested.

The defendants who appeared before the Magistrate this morning to answer a charge of theft were Ahm, Semit, a Javanese, who had a brother working as a golf caddy, and a Chinese aged 15 years.

Both the defendants pleaded guilty to the charge. The Javanese youth, who was under 16 years of age, was ordered eight strokes with a cane, while the other was sent to prison with hard labour for two weeks.

Dr. Crichton Miller, the well-known psychologist, in an address on "Essential and Extrinsic Features of the Public School System," made some interesting references to the question of corporal punishment. In many cases, he said, corporal punishment might be of great value to an adolescent boy, but there were other cases in which it might land him in the asylum. "I had the good fortune," he proceeded, "to be at a public school where corporal punishment was a part of the curriculum. (Laughter.) I succeeded in escaping any practical, personal experience of it."

## COOLIES WIN.

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The imprisonment fell into two sections, that before the arrival of the police and that after their arrival. In respect of both of them the defendant was the cause of action. The onus was on him to justify his action. It was not possible to justify it by the allegation as to theft of cement bags and with regard to Mr. Murphy's argument that Mr. Murphy was justified in view of there having been a commotion outside his house, he (His Honour) had no doubt that the only charge present in Mr. Murphy's mind at the time was to have them arrested for the theft of cement bags.

His Honour said he was not prepared to find whether or not there had been a breach of the peace by the plaintiffs. Even supposing there had been he found that the breach was at an end at the time of imprisonment and in common law, arrest by a private person after the cessation of the breach was not legal. There was, no reason to apprehend a continuance of the disturbance when the imprisonment took place.

With regard to powers under the Ordinance relating to disorderly behaviour by crowds, action could only be taken by the owner of the property, in question. There was no evidence as to Mr. Murphy having acted on the authority of the owners of the property in question.

On the question of amount of damages, His Honour asked if Mr. McCallum had anything to say.

## "Vindictive Damages."

Mr. McCallum said that it must be borne in mind that certain thefts of cement bags had been committed prior to the incidents in question and that every man was to a certain extent under suspicion. The man originally stopped by the Indian guard with sacks in his possession, also his colleagues, had sought to justify the coolie's position yet they had been treated in a most disgraceful manner. The freedom of the British subject was one of the finest traditions of British justice and in this case it had been trespassed on to an extent which was truly disgraceful, the guards using loaded rifles on them. In spite of the plaintiffs' assurance to Mr. Murphy that they would do as he wished them to do they had been handcuffed and marched through the streets in full view of their fellow workers. It did not make the slightest difference in law that these men were coolies. They were entitled to vindictive damages.

His Honour asked Mr. Wadeson if the plaintiffs had suffered any loss. Mr. Wadeson replied that they had suffered none. They were still at work and, said Mr. Wadeson, sacks continued to disappear.

His Honour commented that the judgment would rehabilitate the plaintiffs as regarded their fellow workmen. As regarded personal damages he assessed these as \$25 each in respect of the five plaintiffs who had been handcuffed and \$15 in respect of the one who had not. Defendant would also pay costs.

## MOTOR ACCIDENT.

## BOY RUN OVER AT PRAYA EAST.

## DIES IN HOSPITAL.

An accident occurred at about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon a few yards from the Wanchai Police Station resulting in the death of a Chinese boy from injuries received by walking in front of a motor car. The boy died in hospital shortly after admission.

The motor car concerned was one from the World Garage, of Yee Wo Street, Causeway Bay. From a statement made by the driver of the car, it appears that he was in the rear of a tram car travelling in a westerly direction and decided to overtake it shortly before the tram car reached the halting place near the Police Station. At that moment the boy ran from the rear of the tram car in front of the motor car. The driver attempted to stop his car, but it was too late.

Police officers were soon on the spot and had the injured boy sent to hospital. While investigations were still going on news came from the hospital that the boy died.

## GIRL GUIDES.

The Girl Guides officers' training classic conducted by the District Captain, Mrs. E. B. Reed, are starting again on September 20 at 4.15 p.m. and are being held at Government House, by kind permission of H.E. the Governor. The secretary, Mrs. W. B. A. Moore, No. 468, The Peak, will be glad to furnish particulars as to the Guide movement to any who may be interested.

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

A fresh case of enteric fever (typhoid) was reported on Tuesday, the patient being a Chinese from the city district.

The giant arum of Sumatra, which produces a leaf one year and a flower the next year, is in full bloom at Kew Gardens and is attracting much attention not only for its size, but for its beauty.

The rise in the price of tin is likely to send up the price of silk stockings. While this sounds rather remarkable, it is none the less true, for the artificial silk industry is a big buyer of tin, and will be badly hit by the rise.

"Movie censorship" by police has hit even ancient Peking. Announcement has just been made that the authorities will henceforth guard civic morals by inspecting all films and ordering necessary deletions. It is understood that the news of foreign film directors are frequently out of accord with those of old-school Chinese high in official circles.

Judgment was delivered at Windhoek, South Africa, upon the ex-Kaiser's application for an order with regard to the property belonging to his family in South-West Africa. Mr. Justice Gutschke commented at length on the "sketchy and defective" nature of the application, intimating that a good deal of necessary evidence on law and fact had not been laid before the Court. His Lordship declared that on the case as presented the application was not entitled to an order, but he could renew the proceedings if he was so advised. No order regarding costs was made.

The foreign-trained Chinese accountants of North-China have organized a united association of Chinese accountants with headquarters at Tientsin. During the inauguration of the association, the chairman reported that some time ago the British Legation notified the Chinese Government to the effect that as the title of "chartered accountant" has been specially created by the British Government for fully certified British chartered accountants in England, Chinese accountants should not copy it in China. On account of this, the association regards the practice of foreign accountants in China as illegal as well as unreasonable.

Osaka, September 3.—Plans just published show that the Osaka Municipality will spend two million Yen in the next few years in the construction of five dams, to accelerate the passage of water in the many canals, which for centuries have provided a convenient means for the transportation of merchandise and made Osaka known as the Venice of the Far East.

An Athens telegram of July 22, announces the discovery of valuable petroleum deposits by a British company who have been granted a concession to exploit the oil deposits between Durazzo and Berat, in Albania. It is stated that oil was struck at a depth of about 800 ft. in large quantities and of good quality. An Exchange Telegraph message from Vienna states that the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, which is drilling near Valona, Albania, is reported to have struck a rich oil source of the best quality.

A young Jewish bride, Miss Yenta Waterman, of Ambler-place, Newton, Yorkshire, was married from the house where her mother lay dead. Two hours after the bride had left the mother's body was carried from the house for burial. A few days before Mrs. Waterman, who had not been well, became suddenly worse and died. The Jewish law provides that under such circumstances precedence must be given to the wedding. At the ceremony the bride was weeping bitterly and she could hardly stand up. Her brother fainted in the synagogue and members of the congregation were in tears.

Edmonton, July 28.—A trapper from the far-off Barren Lands between the Mackenzie river and Hudson's Bay, who returned to Edmonton recently, tells tales of the Indian's modern defection from the simple scalping-knife of his ancestors in favour of plus-fours, loud shirts with stiff collars, and even vanity cases. "I met on the trail last winter," says this trapper, "a young Indian with his dog-team, and the brave actually took out a vanity case from his breast pocket, powdered his face, and then inspected himself in the mirror at the back of the case." "He carried a suitcase on his sled and opened it to show me, with evident pride, a pair of real plus-four pants, several shirts of loud pattern, and starched collars to match."

Mr. W. Houghton, a farmer, of Edmonthorpe, Melton Mowbray, with his boots as his only weapon, attacked a large vixen fox which he found in his poultry yard. The intruder, finding herself cornered, made savage attacks on her opponent, and finally, having relieved the farmer of a good portion of his trousers, escaped with a flying leap through the only exit.

Alighting from an air liner which had just arrived at the London air station from Brussels, a French business man turned to the pilot, Captain A. S. Wilcockson, with the remark, "Where's this?" On being informed that he was in London he exclaimed, "Oh, but I wanted to go to Paris," and produced a ticket on the French air liner from Brussels to Paris.

Montreal, August 1.—There is a strong possibility that the juvenile bears desired by Mr. McDonald, Deputy-Minister of Game and Fisheries, for the Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto, may be secured through the good offices of Mr. Peter Manzo, of the contracting firm of Tweedie and Manzo, who are building a stretch of the Government road at Haviland Bay. Mr. Manzo says that the area in which their camp is located fairly teems with bears. The animals make night hideous with their conversation, and about the only thing that can be said in their favour is that they eat the garbage which is deposited near the camp.

Batavia, August 28.—On arrival in Tandjong Priok yesterday further news was obtained of the tragic incident on board the "Siamat" just after the ship had left Colombo on August 21. The victim was a certain Miss Green who was travelling to the N.E.I. in the hope of obtaining a better position than was possible in Holland. From the start it appeared that Miss Green was suffering from her nerves and was extremely melancholy. During the voyage she made numerous complaints all of which were provided to be unfounded. One day from Colombo out, there was a masked ball in the 3rd class in which the unfortunate lady was travelling. After having danced several dances she went out on deck and sat down in a chair. A few seconds later, to the amazement of the native boy she climbed on to the railing and sprang overboard. The boy immediately warned the officer in charge, and numerous life belts were thrown overboard.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

According to the Chinese Press, General Chang Hsueh-liang, the son of Marshal Chang Tso-lin, is studying the Japanese language and has engaged a Japanese tutor to teach him daily.

Property valued at \$2,582,331, consisting almost entirely of jewellery, was left by the late Princess Anastasia, of Greece, who was the widow of William B. Leeds, the American "tin plate king."

The Bishop of London, who went to Canada with the intention of officiating at the wedding of his niece and nephew, was unable to perform the ceremony, as the law in Ontario only allows the local clergy to perform marriages.

The marriage took place at St. Andrew's Church, Kuala Lumpur, of Sinclair Herbert Morrison, of Seventh Mile Estate, Damansara, and Eileen Agnes Cormac, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Cormac, of Kuala Lumpur.

The engagement is announced of Capt. D. C. Logan, M.C., Officer Commanding Scottish Company, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Logan, of Hong Kong, to Miss Iris McCoan Thornhill, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Thornhill, of Hong Kong.

Dr. Schmidt, professor of the Leningrad University and a member of the Soviet Academy of Science, and four other scientists, have been appointed to represent Soviet Russia at the Pan-Pacific Congress to be held in Tokyo during the latter part of October.

Bombay, August 13.—Mrs. Anne Mason, a European Salvationist, aged 36, died today while under chloroform. The deceased had been suffering from malaria fever for the last six months, and she was advised to have her teeth extracted. After two teeth had been extracted on the operation table she collapsed. At the inquest the jury recorded a verdict of death due to heart failure while the patient was under chloroform.

Mr. Tam Wing-kwong, the manager of Messrs. Ip Tack and Co., China Building, is leaving for a two weeks' business trip to Shanghai by the "Empress of Russia."

Signor Mussolini has sent a gift of 50,000 lire to the head of the Italian Archaeological Mission at Candia. This sum is to help in the work of restoring the ruins of the museum, which was badly damaged in June last by an earthquake.

Viscount Lascelles is to be installed Provincial Grand Master of West Yorkshire, in succession to Sir William Raynor, at the Town Hall, Leeds, on October 8. His Lordship will take charge of the third largest Province under the Grand Lodge of England, with nearly 140 lodges. Mr. Richard Gill, while continuing in the office of Deputy Provincial Grand Master, is to be installed Grand Superintendent of the Royal Arch Degree in the Province, in succession to the late Mr. Edward Haley.



When other means failed, Helena Dasi stowed away on a ship from Italy to New York to join her sweet heart, Prof. Marcus Longworth of the University of Pennsylvania. She was captured and will be deported, but her fiancé is expected to wed her in Italy.

Changes in the personnel of H.B.M. Consulate-General in Shanghai include the transfer of Mr. G. V. Kitson, Vice-Consul, to Canton, and Mr. A. L. Scott, who has recently returned from home leave, as Vice-Consul to Amoy.

Dr. Wu Lien-teh, the well-known Chinese bacteriologist in charge of the epidemic prevention service for the Three Eastern Provinces, left for Tientsin to establish a medical college in the Chinese Isolation Hospital grounds at Harbin, at a cost of \$400,000, provided by the Chinese Guild in that city.

The Burma Rifles have suffered a heavy loss in the death of Major R. M. F. Patrick, M.C. He died of blackwater fever contracted while on recruiting duty in the Kachin Hills on August 26. Major Patrick commenced his military career in the Cork Militia and on the outbreak of the South African War resigned his Commission and enlisted in the Royal Munster Fusiliers with whom he was on active service from 1899-1902, being twice mentioned in despatches, whilst holding the rank of Corporal. He was eventually given his Commission in the Royal Irish Regiment from which he transferred to the Indian Army in 1906.

The following F.M.S. appointments are gazetted:—Mr. A. J. Sheedy, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Straits Settlements, to be a Deputy Commissioner of Police, Federated Malay States; Mr. Rupert Savigny Clements to be an Assistant Superintendent of Customs, Customs Department, Federated Malay States; Mr. William John Walsh to be an Assistant Superintendent of Customs, Customs Department, Federated Malay States and Straits Settlements, has been appointed to act as Controller of Timber Supplies, Forest Department, Federated Malay States and Straits Settlements; Mr. W. M. Millington has been seconded for service in the State of Kelantan as Acting British Adviser, Kelantan (Staff); Mr. H. P. Eryson has been appointed to officiate as Assistant District Officer, Bragança.

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## SPORTS SECTION

### HOBBS 1ST AGAIN.

Best Average; Sutcliffe Second.

### 5TH TEST TEAM TRIUMPH.

How First-class Cricket at Home Concluded.

Last year Hobbs passed the aggregate of centuries put up by Dr. W. G. Grace, made more centuries in one season than anybody else and finished top of the batting averages.

This year he again occupies top-place, having made the biggest individual score of his career. His "England opening colleague," Sutcliffe, is second.

Brought into the England XI for the last Test, Rhodes showed that he is no veteran by heading the bowling for the season.

Lancashire, the champion county, were defeated by England's Test team in three days.

For the deciding Test no Lancastrian was selected, Tyldesley (N.C.) only being 12th man. When it came to pick the side to represent "the Rest" against the champions, the English Test team was put in en bloc.

### SOME HEAVY SCORING.

England's Crack Batsmen in Form.

In three days (of a four day match), the Rest defeated Lancashire (champion county) at the Oval by 374 runs.

The team chosen to play for the Rest was the same as that in the Fifth Test, namely:—A. P. F. Chapman (Kent) captain, G. T. S. Stevens (Middlesex), Rhodes (Yorkshire), Hobbs (Surrey), Sutcliffe (York), Tate (Sussex), Woolley (Kent), Hendren (Middlesex), Larwood (Notts), Geary (Leicester), Strudwick (Surrey).

"The Rest" (or rather the England XI) batted first. They were dismissed for 217 runs. Hendren made 100. Macdonald (the Australian fast bowler of 1921, now with Lancashire) took 4 wickets for 73 runs.

Lancashire replied with 177 runs. Hallows contributed 73. Larwood took 3 for 61 and Tate 4 for 40.

Then "the Rest" made 468 runs for the loss of only two wickets and declared.

Hobbs was first out having made 62. Sutcliffe amassed 136. Woolley scored 172 not out and Hendren 77 not out.

Against this big total, the champions only replied with 134 runs. Greville Stevens taking 6 wickets for 52 runs. Scores:—

The Rest: 217 and 468 for 2 declared.

Lancs.: 177 and 134. —Reuter.

### MOST APPROPRIATE.

Hobbs & Sutcliffe Top Averages.

London, Sept. 14.

The final positions in the first-class cricket averages reveal the most appropriate fact that Hobbs and Sutcliffe are still together.

Hobbs tops the list with:—41 innings; 2,949 runs; highest score 316 not out; average 77.60.

Sutcliffe's figures are:—47 innings; 2,528 runs; highest score 200; average 66.52.

Rhodes heads the bowling averages with:—802 overs; 115 wickets; average 14.86 runs per wicket.

Australian Figures.

W. M. Woodfull heads the Australian batting with:—1,672 runs; average 57.65.

C. G. Macartney is second with 1,561 runs; average 53.82.

C. V. Grimmett is top in the Australian bowling, taking 105 wickets at 17.68 runs each. Next is C. G. Macartney with 49 wickets at 17.81 runs each. —Reuter.

### THE AUSTRALIANS.

MATCH WITH ENGLAND XI DRAWN.

### THEIR LAST MATCH.

Blackpool, Sept. 14.

The match between the Australians and an England XI (captained by M. K. Foster of Worcester) was drawn. Third day's play:—

(Overnight score:—Australians 281 runs, Woodfull 115 not out,

### "BASEBALL "ROW."

JAPANESE NOT TO PRESS PROTEST.

### EXHIBITION GAMES.

The "China Mail" understands that a written protest has not yet been lodged with the Hong Kong Baseball Association by the Japanese Baseball Club in regard to the last inning run which gave a win for South China in the final meeting between these teams last Sunday.

The matter is now under consideration.

It is also gathered that the Japanese Baseball Club are not pressing the point, but leave it to the Association to decide whether it should be placed before a committee.

Commencing this afternoon, there will be league matches throughout the week and the season will close on Sunday.

To-day, 5 p.m.—Hong Kong Baseball Club v. Club de Recreio.

To-morrow, 5 p.m.—Defence Corps v. South China.

### SPORTING INSTINCT.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Sir,—There has been a great deal of discussion concerning the championship game between the S.C.A.A. and the Japanese Club at Happy Valley last Sunday.

In the sense of clean sportsmanship and fairness we hold that South China fairly deserve their victory, for we believe that the better team always wins.

The fault rests entirely with the spectators who should have exercised a greater degree of sportsmanship and allowed the fielders a chance to go after the ball.

We congratulate South China on winning the championship but in view of the interest shown in our game with them we have approached them with regard to an exhibition match to be played at Happy Valley at 2.30 p.m. on Sunday.

The Baseball Association, in the belief that such a game would be a more fitting finale to the season than a game with "The Rest," have signified their approval and we hope that South China will see their way clear to accept.

I might mention also that at 4.30 p.m. on Sunday a game has been arranged (by the Association) between the U.S.S. "Helenia" and "Alb Hong Kong" which should provide some excellent play.

Yours, etc.,

S. IMAMURA,

Manager,

Japanese Baseball Club.

Hong Kong, September 15.

### TENNIS "PROS."

SUZANNE IN CHARITY MATCH.

FRENCH BAN HER.

Paris, Sept. 14.

The committee of the French Lawn Tennis Federation has decided not to authorise professional exhibitions or tournaments in any clubs affiliated to it.

With regard to the match for the benefit of the Fund for Disabled Soldiers, in which Mlle. Suzanne Lenglen and Feret were to participate, the Federation is prepared to allow the match to be played but only with amateurs.

Thus Paris is deprived of seeing Mlle. Lenglen's last match before her departure for America. —Reuter.

### ANNUAL MEETINGS.

The annual meeting of the Civil Service Cricket Club will be held in the pavilion at 5.30 p.m. on September 22.

The Kowloon Football Club held their meeting at 5.45 p.m. on September 24 at the pavilion in Kowloon.

Parker 5 for 76. England XI 126 runs for 4 wickets.

The weather was bright and cool to-day and the wicket good. For an additional 65 runs, the remaining English wickets fell, the innings closing for 191.

Holmes (Yorkshire) made 48. A. A. Malley took 5 wickets for 68 runs.

Batting the second time, the Australians made 201 runs for 4 wickets. G. G. Macartney getting 100 not out.

Rain then fell, stumps were drawn, and the match was abandoned. —Reuter.

The Australians tour had now completed.

### CIVIL SERVICE C.C.

ANNUAL REPORT FOR LAST SEASON.

### MANY ACTIVITIES.

The annual report of the Civil Service C.C. for the season 1925-1926 (ended July 31) reads:—

Finance.—During the financial period under review expenditure has been incurred in improving the Pavilion fittings and furniture, and the provision of a billiard table for the proposed central club, thus increasing the club's assets. It is a matter of satisfaction that your Committee have been enabled to meet this special expenditure without withdrawing from the club's reserve.

The accounts submitted show the club to be in a sound financial position.

The thanks of the club are due to Messrs. Williams and James for their services as auditors.

Membership.—The present total membership is 256. During the past year 13 members have resigned and 58 new members have joined. The retirement of our President, Sir Claud Severn, is a loss to the club. His great interest in cricket and our club was reflected by our teams winning both shields in the season 1924-1925.

Your committee record with deep regret the deaths of Mr. J. H. Oxberry, Mr. J. Hutchison and Mr. W. Blakey.

General.—An opportunity occurred during the year for obtaining some rooms at the Beaconsfield Arcade for the purpose of adding to the social amenities of the club and your committee after careful consideration decided that it was too good an opportunity to miss. An extraordinary general meeting was held on June 1, which unanimously approved of the scheme and it is hoped to be able to open the rooms about the end of this year.

Mr. Justice Wood has been elected President. He is well known to most of the members and has taken a great interest in the club for many years. The committee felt itself fortunate in being able to procure such a worthy successor to fill the place vacated by the retirement of Sir Claud Severn.

Cricket.—1st eleven, 9 league matches, 11 friendly matches and 2 inter-club matches were played. We finished third in the Hong Kong Cricket League. Of the league matches 3 were won, 5 drawn, and 1 ended in a tie; for the second year in succession we went through our league programme without a defeat. Most of the drawn matches ended greatly in our favour; with a few more minutes to play coupled perhaps with a little more enterprise in the batting we should have been almost as successful as last season. We won 5 and lost 6 of the friendlies—it was difficult, however, to get a representative 1st eleven side together for many of these matches. The inter-club matches were greatly enjoyed and should form an attractive feature of the cricket in future seasons. We had good wickets to play on but the out-field was poor. As in previous years the bowling was our chief source of strength; with such an array as Evans, Reed, Sayer, Ling, Baker and Hamilton we could generally reckon on dismissing our opponents for at most a reasonable score. Edmonds came into the side occasionally and was most useful; he accomplished the hat-trick against the R.A. The batting was not so consistently good and there was evident need of practice; Fincher and Sayer carried off all the batting honours and the former must be congratulated on finishing the season at the head of the league averages for the whole Colony, with the remarkable average of over 100. The fielding on the whole was good. The personnel of the team was practically the same as has done duty for the last few seasons; unfortunately very few of the new comers appear to have been bitten by the cricket bacillus and the club will have to rely on the old players again for the forthcoming season.

"Season Very Pleasant." Second Eleven.—From a match winning point of view the season 1925-1926 was not a very successful one, our record of 2 wins, 9 losses and 1 draw not making very good reading.

The season, however, was a very pleasant one and the team showed great keenness in all matches. On one occasion only did we have to play a man short which speaks well for the way the members of the eleven supported the club.

Attendance at practice was our chief trouble and if we expect to do better next season the members must definitely set aside at least two evenings a week for net practice.

The return of Mr. C. Sara to the eleven in 1926 strengthened our bowling considerably. The bowl-

ing department was, however, our weak spot and it is to be hoped that some of our younger members will make an attempt this season to remedy this weakness.

Our thanks are due to Mr. J. Massey who acted as scorer for us in most matches.

Tennis.—It is regretted that the tennis competitions have not been finished this season but all will realise that this was utterly impossible owing to the flood.

It seems hardly believable, but only one team was entered in the league, and that in the "B" division, and we didn't even win that.

A club with such a large membership and such an array of talent as we have at our command should, I think, be able to do very much better. Is the lack of support in this department of sport due to lack of interest?

It has been mentioned that the very poor entries for the various competitions is due to the fact that a good percentage of those who use the courts do not enter the club premises where there is a notice board on which is prominently displayed the entry forms.

Lawn Bowls.—The selection committee desire to thank all lawn bowls players for their co-operation in carrying out our fixtures for the season.

For no apparent reason our green failed to come on until late in the season, and when it was decided to commence playing on the green, the disastrous flooding of the whole of our playing field compelled us to play our remaining home fixtures on foreign soil.

Not a single fixture has been played on the green this season.

A team was entered in each division of the league, the object being to encourage new members to the game, and to give all an opportunity of playing instead of looking on. The first team have played 10, won 4, drawn 1, and lost 5. The second team are to be congratulated on finishing fourth in the table having played 14, won 7, drawn 1, and lost 6.

Owing to the state of the green it has not been possible to complete the competitions in time for the annual report.

The selection committee beg to submit that the season on the whole has been a successful one, and our future prospects are bright.

Great credit is due to Mr. Rose for the work he has put in on the green, more particularly after the floods of July.

The thanks of the club are due to Mr. B. E. Maughan for presenting a prize in the N.P.W. competition.

### Figures.

The total income is \$6,291.84. Balance over expenditure is \$1,488.13.

Entertainment was the biggest item of expense, viz. \$1,213.59. Total assets stand at \$14,940.81. Balance over liabilities amounts to \$12,370.42.

Cricket Averages.

The leading cricket averages were:—

Batting: 1st XI E. W. Fincher 48.1 (18 innings, 7 times not out, aggregate 529, highest score 91 not out). 2nd XI B. C. Hawkins 20.65.

Bowling: 1st XI B. D. Evans 41 wickets at 9 runs each. 2nd XI W. H. Edmonds 35 wickets at 11.85 runs each.

Catches (1st XI): B. D. Evans 10, F. H. Holdman (wicket-keeper) 9, G. R. Sayer 8, E. W. Hamilton and F. J. de Rome 6 each.

### CHINESE SOCCER SPLIT.

No definite decision was arrived at yesterday, held at the office of the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall (in China Building), convened by him, the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Mr. Mok Wing-yew and Mr. Tang Yung-tung (all four being present or past Presidents of the South China A.A., the senior Chinese soccer organisation in the Colony).

The secessionists, who had formed the Chinese Athletic Association and entered five teams in the league, promised to play for the S.C.A.A. and the matter will be submitted to their Committee.

Sir Shou-son and Dr. Kotewall addressed the three delegates of the secessionists.

### HONG TENNIS DOUBLES.

In the Hong Kong C.C. Hong tennis doubles yesterday, A. W. Hayward and J. D. Humphreys, rec. 3/6, beat L. Hancock and R. E. Greensmith. (Exchange brokers), owe 4/6, by 6-3, 3-6, 9-8.

This match was in the semi-final. There were many long rallies and play was fast.

The winners meet W. A. Nowers and E. M. S. Lloyd (A. P. C.), rec. 1/6, in the final.

### HOME SOCCER.

London, Sept. 14.

In division I of the English Football League to-day, Huddersfield and Sunderland drew in a goalless match (at Huddersfield) to-day. —Reuter.

### U.S. TENNIS.

TILDEN TROUBLED BY HIS KNEE.

### LATEST SURPRISES.

Forest Hills, Sept. 14.

In the "second round" of the U.S. national lawn tennis championship, surprising results were:—

Dr. Kling (of New York) beat Harada (Japan) 6-4, 8-6, 8-6.

F. T. Hunter beat the Davis Cup player Chapin 6-2, 5-7, 8-6, 6-3.

Arnold Jones beat Tawara (Japan) 2-6, 6-4, 2-6, 6-3, 6-1.

Tilden beat the young American, Nell Sullivan by 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, 6-1. Tilden was still bothered by a strained knee. —Reuter's American Service.

### VENUE CHOSEN.

LAWN BOWLS ASSOCIATION MEETING.

To decide the championship of the second division of Hong Kong Lawn Bowls League, the local Association met in the Chamber of Commerce rooms yesterday and chose a venue submitted by neither of the "tie-ing" teams.

Each having obtained 22 points, Kowloon Cricket Club and East Point Recreation Club play off in a decider for first place and, incidentally, promotion to the first division.

It transpired at the meeting that the rules of the Association only empowered the committee to fix the date of play-off (in event of a tie) and that the rules had stood since 1911.

The K.C.C. suggested playing on the Kowloon Dock R.C. green. East Point pointed out that it was too far and that they had no launch.

East Point proposed the Police R.C. green at Happy Valley but Kowloon objected because it had no ditch.

A counter-suggestion by Kowloon that the Kowloon Bowling Green Club be the venue was also not accepted, East Point maintaining that a number of the K.C.C. team were also members of the Bowling Green Club.

Mr. A. O. Brown (Civil Service), said that the only two greens in the Colony which had a ditch were the Civil Service and Taikoo. As the C.S.C. ground was in bad condition, he proposed Taikoo. On Mr. R. A. Smith seconding, this was adopted. It was also decided to pay on the first available Saturday.

Mr. B. W. Bradbury was in the chair.

Mr. A. T. Hamilton and Mr. H. M. McTavish spoke on behalf of East Point and Mr. Overy for the K.C.C.

### AQUATIC SPORTS.

ROYAL ARTILLERY MEET TO-DAY.

The Royal Artillery aquatic sports start at 3.30 p.m. at the R.A.S.C. canteen to-day.

There are 11 events on the programme:—

Unit relay race (free style), 7 men a team, individual distances being 30, 60, 90, 90, 60, 30 and 30 yards.

Life saving competition in pairs.

Diving, each competitor 3 dives.

Individual championship, 150 yards free style (a) warrant officers and N.C.O.s; (b) gunners. Tug of war (teams of 6 men).

Obstacle race. (extra) children's race; (a) boys; (b) girls.

Half mile, R. A. units, teams of 4, free style.

Indian relay race, teams from H.K. S. Bde. R.A.

Sub-section relay race, 30 yards, teams of 6, free style.

Pillow fight. (extra) H.K. S. Bde. R. A. championship, 90 yards.

Water Polo, winners of R.A. cup v. Rest of R.A.

Lt.-Col. W. A. Edmeades, D.S.O., is president and Lt. J. A. Chester secretary.

### WANDERERS' TEAM.

The following will represent the "Wanderers" in a hockey match against the 5th/2nd Punjab at the Marina ground (in whites) at 5.30 p.m. sharp to-morrow:—Sgt. Clark, R.A.; Lt. J. H. Smith, E.A. (Cte. Reeves (East Surreys); E. J. R. Mitchell, Lt. Henderson, R.N. F. B. Jones, R.N. A. E. Plummer, Lt. Armstrong, R.N. D. Lyon, Lt. Andrews, R.N., Lt. Fleet, R.N.

### VINEGAR CASE.

SUMMONS AGAINST CHINESE SHOPKEEPER.

### NOT UP TO STANDARD.

An interesting case in regard to the sale of vinegar by Chinese shops was heard by Mr. R. R. Lindell at the Central Magistracy this morning when a Shaikwan trader was summoned for exposing for sale vinegar which did not approach the recognised standard.

The summons was brought at the instance of Sanitary Inspector Gregory, who bought a six-ounce sample for three cents and sent it for analysis.

Mr. E. R. Dovey, Government Analyst, gave evidence that the universal standard for vinegar was that it should contain 4 per cent. acetic acid, whereas in the sample under analysis he found the percentage to be 2.32. He mentioned that over a dozen samples had been submitted to him during the past year and he had in mind two convictions for adulteration, one of these quite recently at the Kowloon Magistracy. He thought the vinegar in the present case was quite good value for the money.

Dr. A. G. M. Severn (Assistant M. O. H.) watched the case on behalf of health. In answer to a question from the bench, Dr. Severn said that the lower percentage of acid content did no harm, but it was desirable that the universal standard should be adopted. He pointed out a person who was looking for a bottle of good vinegar may be offered one of the cheap substitutes.

Mr. Dovey said it was a fact that the Chinese bottled vinegar in long bottles similar to English vinegar (Morton's) and these were being sold in the compradore shops.

The summons was adjourned for one week to enable His Worship to look up the old cases.

### SHIPPING NOTES.

VESSELS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

LATEST INFORMATION.

The "D'Artagnan" arrived early this morning from Marseilles via Saigon, with many passengers for Hong Kong. She is sailing for Shanghai and Japan ports to-day at 5 p.m. with passengers and mail for Europe via Siberia.

With no cargo for Hong Kong the s.s. "City of Rangoon" arrived here this morning from Calcutta. She is sailing this afternoon for Shanghai with through cargo.

Two trans-Pacific liners are expected to arrive to-morrow morning from the United States via Japan and Shanghai with passengers, cargo and mail; the s.s. "President Taft" coming from San Francisco and the "President Madison" from Seattle.

With 1205 tons of cargo for discharge here, the Blue Funnel steamer "Menelaus" arrived yesterday from Liverpool via Singapore. She will be despatched for Shanghai this afternoon with cargo and mail.

From Yokohama via Amoy the E. & L. steamer "Santia" arrived yesterday afternoon with 823 tons of general cargo and mail for Hong Kong. She will sail for Calcutta via Singapore with passengers and cargo this afternoon.

Messrs. Butterfield and Swire will despatch to-morrow the s.s. "Patroclus" for Shanghai and the "Talthybius" for Vancouver and Seattle via Kobe and Yokohama.

The local office of the P. & O. has been advised that the s.s. "Malwa" left Shanghai yesterday morning for this port and is expected here on September 17 at daylight with passengers, cargo and mail from Europe via Siberia.

Two of the China Navigation Company's steamers are sailing to-morrow at daylight. The s.s. "Kiangsi" en route to Singapore via Amoy, and the "Soochow" for Shanghai direct.

The N.Y.K. freighter "Mayebashi Maru" is expected to arrive this afternoon from Japan with cargo only. She will sail to-morrow afternoon for New York via Panama. The s.s. "Aki Maru" also of the line is expected to arrive to-morrow afternoon from Manila with passengers, cargo and mail from Australia and Manila mail.

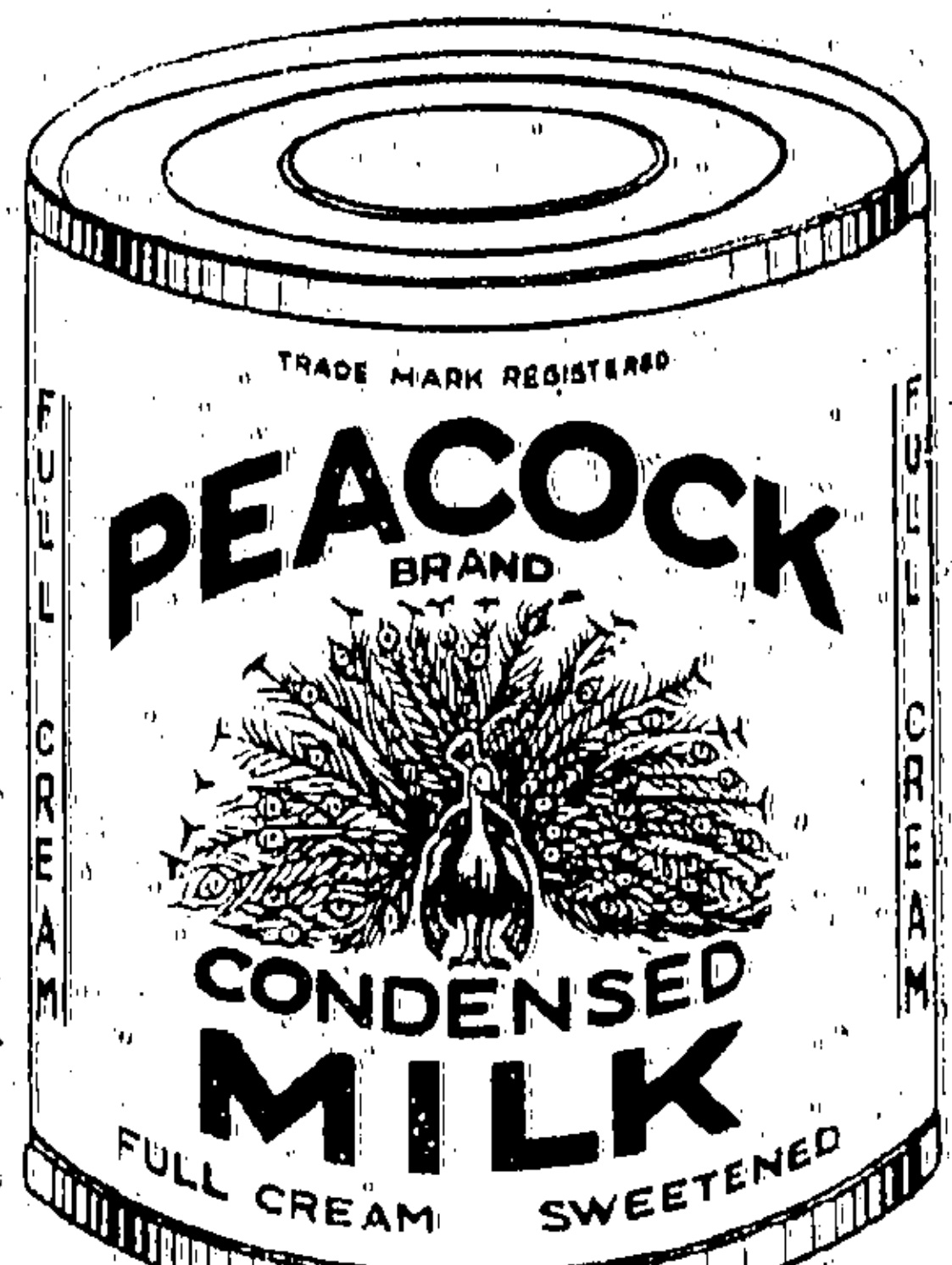
Among the passengers who sailed on the s.s. "Amazona" yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Chow (nee Miss Alice Li) who were married at St. John's Cathedral last Wednesday. The newly-wed couple will spend part of their honeymoon at Saigon, before proceeding to their home at Taipei, Perak.

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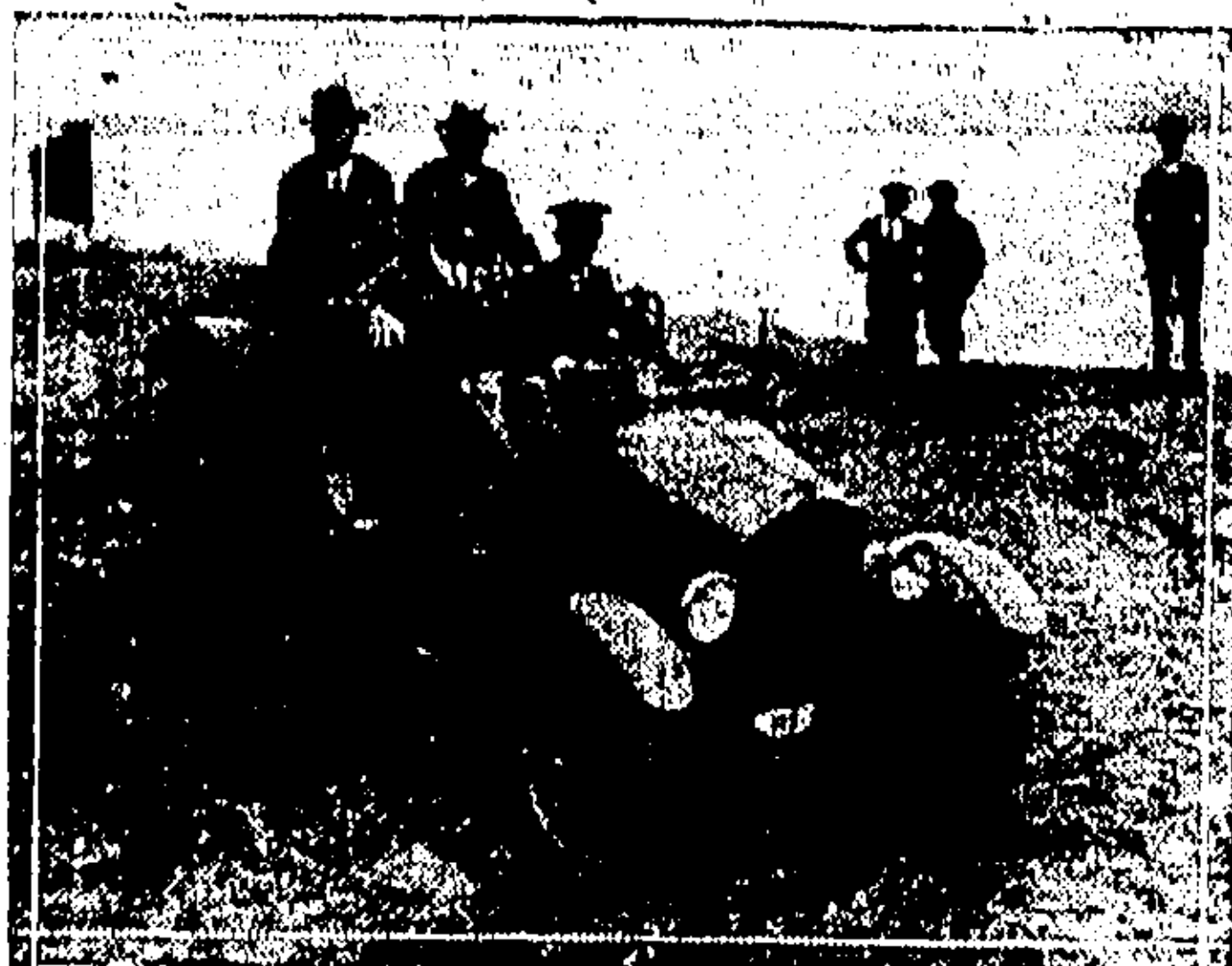
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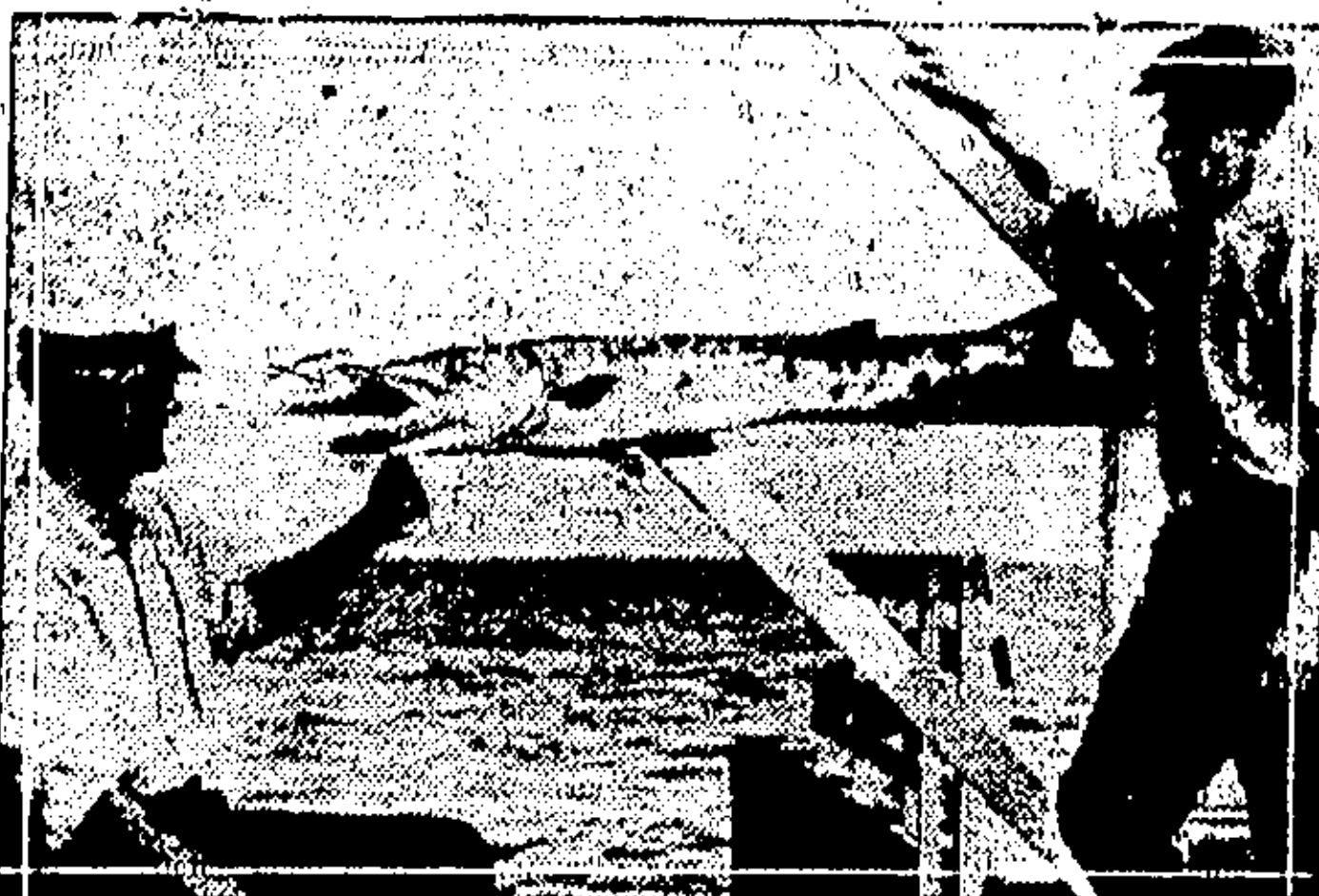
# People and Events in the News of the World



Front seat: Major A. B. Quinton, Jr., Secretary of War D. W. Davis. Back seat: Gen. J. L. Hines (left), Chief of Staff, and Brig.-Gen. C. C. Williams, Chief of Ordnance. They are riding in one of the new "hunting cars" which the U.S. War Department is testing in Washington for their ability to perform cross-country work, with a view to their relieving the almost defunct horse in military operations.



Mrs. Jean Nash, prominent in society in two continents, is about to wed Paul Dubonnet. Meanwhile, Mrs. Dubonnet is reported to be engaged to Harry Hays Morgan, brother of Reggy Vanderbilt and Lady Furness.



A barracuda, called the Tiger of the Seas, on account of its voracious habits, and one of the gamiest fish that swims, was caught from the Casa Marina pier, Key West, by Bill Nugent (left), who used a hook baited with a bit of cloth. It weighed 32 pounds.

Mrs. Howard Harding journeyed from Milwaukee to New Brunswick to present new evidence in the Hall-Mills murder case.



Mildred J. Adams was chosen "Miss Baltimore" in a beauty contest in that city.



Walter Hagen, one of America's foremost golf professionals, recently sailed for Britain to meet Abe Mitchell in a special match for a prize of \$5,000. Just before the ship backed into the Hudson, Hagen gave a few pointers to Helen Macfadyen and Madge Kennedy, who visited the ship to bid the golfer farewell and good luck.



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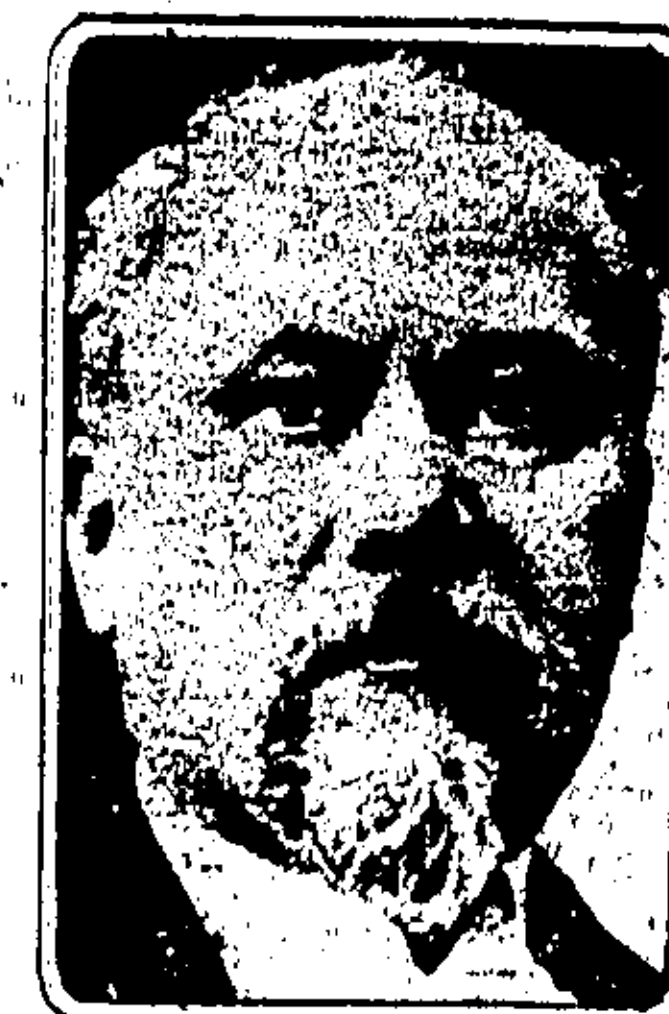


FRANCIS L. BERGEN

Above is the latest picture of Frank O. Lowden, mentioned as Republican nominee for President. Smith W. Brookhart, Senator-elect from Iowa, faced a scrap for the Republican nomination for the unexpired term of the late Senator Cumming. Raymond Schneider, who discovered the bodies in the Hall-Mills murder four years ago, may be a witness in the new investigation. Francis L. Bergen, prosecutor of Somerset County, will assist in the prosecution of Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall, accused of the crime.



Louise Brooks, cinema actress, and Edward Sutherland, director, have been married.



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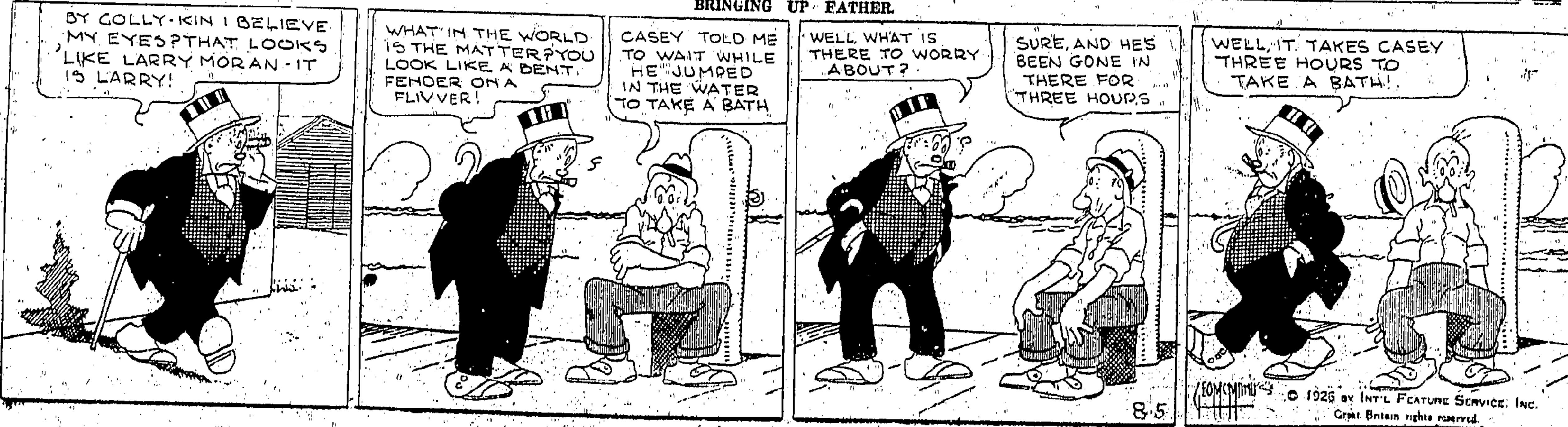
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SEN R. N. STANFIELD

M. Raymond Poincaré, Premier of France. He called upon M. Albert Sarraut, former Minister of Colonies, to assist him. The Coolidge administration is aiding the farmer Senator Simeon D. Fess announced after a conference with the President. Senator R. N. Stanfield rescued a woman from drowning at Ocean City, Md.

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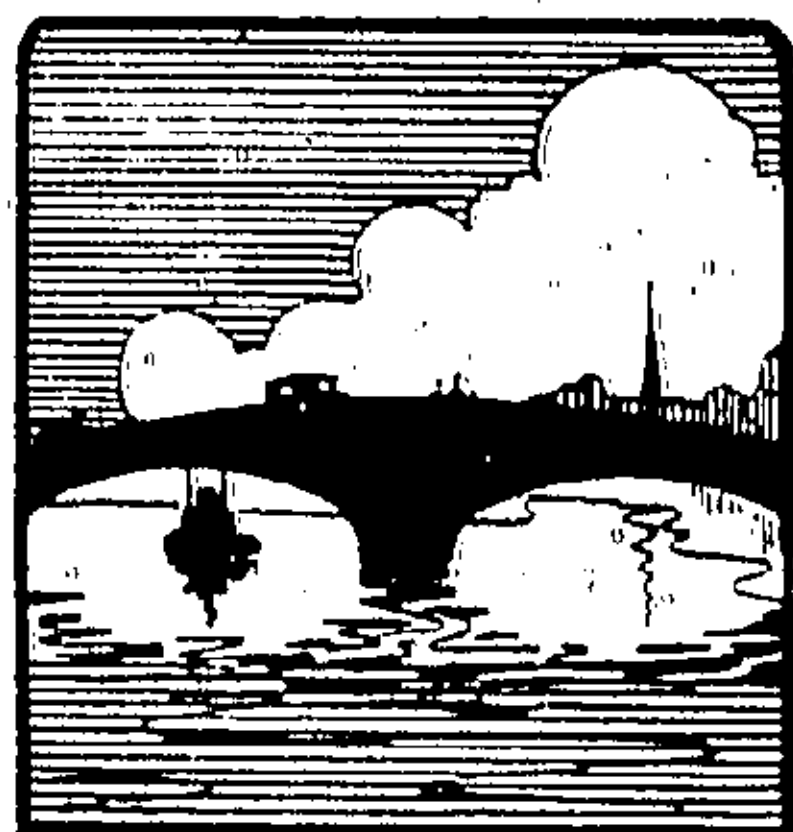
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## CHINA TO-DAY.

(Continued from Page 6.)

## Canton's Boycott.

The anti-British boycott in the South still continues. Full reports of the Conference which took place at Canton in July between British and Cantonese Delegations are published. Too late for inclusion in this chapter Mr. Woodhead says that he received a supplementary communique issued by the Canton Government from which it appears that

"the British Delegation raised the question of including the French in the Enquiry, on the ground that it was impossible to exclude them since they took part in the shooting of June 23, 1925. The Chinese Delegation replied that the question of French participation in the shooting was a Chinese-French issue which they preferred to keep separate and not to join it with British responsibility in the matter; but if the British insisted, the Chinese delegation had no objection to the inclusion or participation of the French in the Enquiry. In this case the British would have to take the necessary steps to secure the consent of the French to their participation in the proposed Enquiry. The British Delegation contended that such consent should be secured by the Chinese, but the Chinese Delegation declined to accept this responsibility."

## Tariff Conference.

The ratification of the Washington Treaty by the French Legislature resulted in the issue of formal invitations to the Treaty Power Governments to participate in the Special Conference provided for by Article II of the Nine Power Treaty, the opening date for which was fixed for October 26, at Peking. When the Conference assembled China was again in the throes of civil war. Marshal Sun Chuan-fang having opened his attack upon the Fengtien Armies in the Yangtze Valley. The Conference, however, duly met, and on November 10 agreed to two paragraphs to be inserted in the projected Treaty, one recognising China's right to Tariff autonomy, as from January 1, 1929, and the other containing an undertaking from the Chinese Government that the abolition of Likin would be effectively carried out by that date. There has been considerable discussion since as to whether these two paragraphs are interdependent. As adopted there is nothing to indicate that they are. The spread of the civil war to North China, resulting in a struggle for, and the eventual capture of, Peking, the resignation and flight of the Provisional Chief Executive, and the resignation or departure of all but two of China's Tariff Delegates, rendered the work of the Tariff Conference increasingly difficult. And in July sittings of the Conference were indefinitely sus-

pended. The resumption of negotiations with the Cabinet installed with the approval of Marshal Chang Tso-lin and Wu Peifu is now bitterly opposed by the Kuomintang leaders, and the Canton Government.

## Extrajurisdiction.

The Commission on Extrajurisdiction, formed under the provisions of Resolution IV of the Washington Conference, which should have assembled in December, 1925, was unable to meet until January 12, 1926, owing to the fighting in North China. It was intended that after the necessary investigations and exchanges of views in Peking, the Commissioners should make a tour of investigation through China, starting about the middle of March. The continuous interruption of railway communication with the Capital rendered it necessary to postpone the tour until May 10, and previous to the departure of the Commissioners from Peking it was announced that they would not be received or given any facilities for their investigations, in the territory under the control of the Canton Government. The experiences of the Tariff Conference Delegates and the Extrajurisdiction Commissioners illustrate the practical difficulties of treaty revision under existing conditions in China.

## "Better Communications."

"Among the documents of special interest in the present volume, is the Memorandum on 'Better Communications' submitted by the Minister of Communications to the Chief Executive, in 1925. The conditions therein described have been greatly aggravated by the protracted strife in North China. For several months, traffic on the railway from Tientsin to Peking, the main line from Peking to Shanghai—was completely suspended. Traffic on the Peking-Suiyuan Railway has been at a standstill ever since the evacuation of Peking by the Kuomintang. Twice for considerable periods, railway traffic between Peking and Tientsin has been interrupted. The difficulties of restoring normal traffic on the lines now operating, due to the destruction of locomotives and rolling-stock by the militarists, have been enhanced by the fact that the Kuomintang carried off every passenger-coach, goods-wagon and engine on which they could lay their hands, before evacuating the Capital.

The long list of defaults on foreign loan obligations includes several railways which, under normal conditions would yield profits as high as, if not higher than, the railways of any other country in the world.

The compilation of this issue of the Year Book has presented exceptional difficulties. The Editor, returning to China from Europe at the end of 1925, found it impossible to reach Tientsin by rail and was compelled to travel by steamer. The vessel on which he took passage was seized by pirates, who had shipped as passengers, when ap-

proaching Weihaiwei, and taken South to Bias Bay, a few hours' steam from Hong Kong. The adventure caused several weeks' delay in starting work on this volume. Interruption of communications in every direction caused heartbreaking delays in the collection of material and statistics. And at an early stage in compilation it became necessary to decide to send the chapters to press in the order in which they were completed, holding over until the last possible moment those of more topical interest. This decision, though it has resulted in the printing of the chapters without any regard to logical order, has enabled the Editor to include the latest information on China's civil wars, the Canton boycott, the Tariff Conference, etc.

## New Features.

Many new features have been included in this volume. Those Chapters that are not entirely new have been revised, and in many instances largely rewritten. A new feature included at the suggestion of a valued contributor is statistical information concerning the Foreign Concessions and Settlements, regarding which there seems to be considerable misunderstanding abroad. The Rt. Hon. D. Lloyd George, for instance, in a speech in the House of Commons, in 1925, expressed the opinion that it was not surprising that there was agitation in China "when the external Powers took 49 Chinese cities, giving them no share in the government of these cities." Foreign Concessions and Settlements are invariably situated outside, and often at some distance from, the Chinese Cities of the same name, the administration of which remains entirely in the hands of the Chinese authorities. And though it is true that Chinese are not granted the municipal franchise in most Settlements and Concessions, that is also true of nearly every Chinese city throughout the country.

Every effort has been made to preserve strict impartiality in the topical sections of this volume, but it must be recognised that the compilation of contemporary history in a country the size of China in a manner that will satisfy everyone is an impossibility, especially when, as in the present instance, so much controversial ground has to be covered, and so few official sources of information are available. It should be noted, for instance, that though it is estimated that China now has nearly two million men under arms, not a single unit can be said to be under the control of the Central Government, and that the War Office is unable to furnish details of any of the Armies now engaged in the fighting in the North and in the Yangtze Valley.

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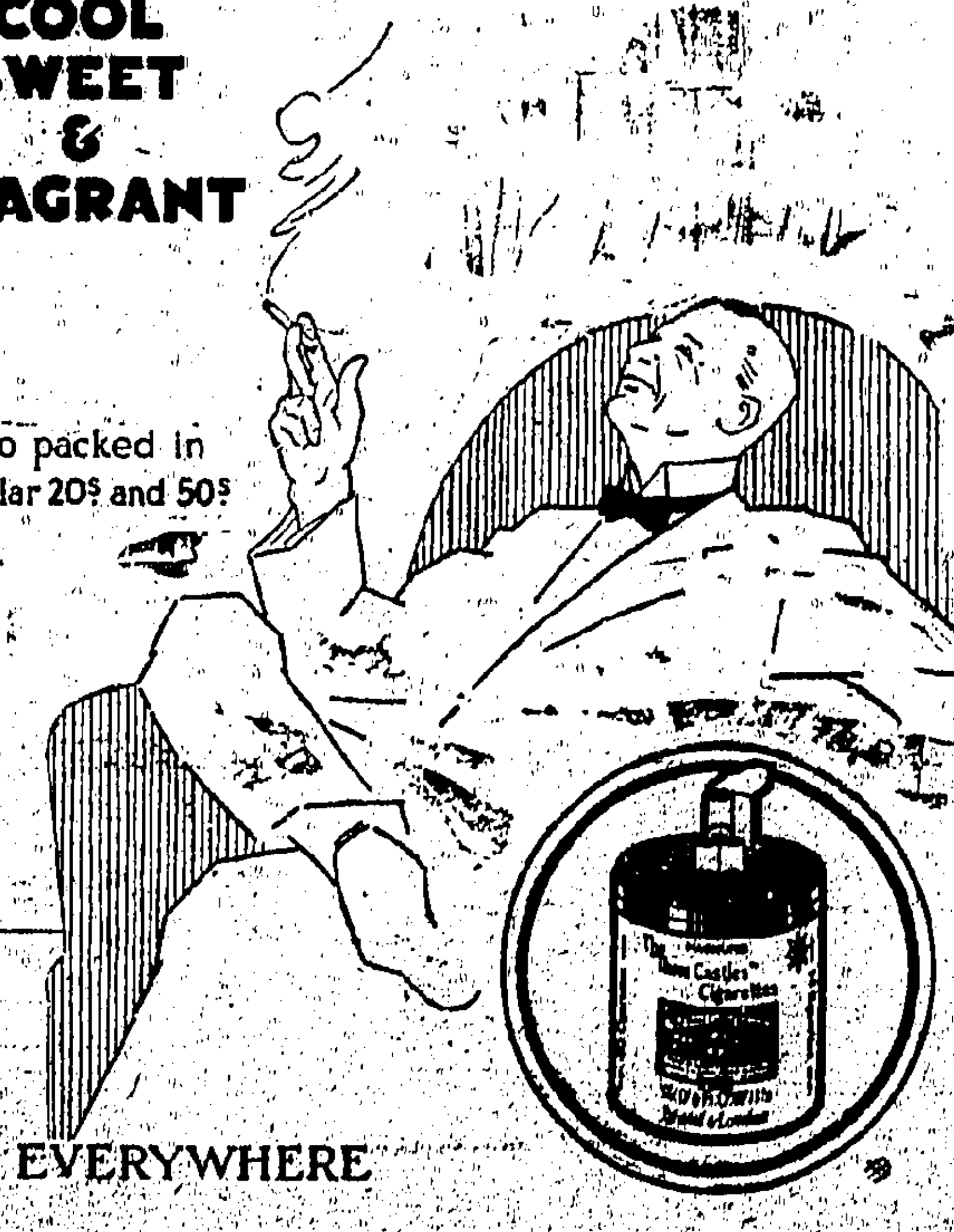
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At the request of the Director General of Posts, Peking the 22 lb. Parcel Post Service with China has been postponed until 1st October, 1926.

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.  
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18.  
Aki Maru ... 4.30 a.m.  
Kamo Maru ... 10 a.m.  
Tango Maru ... 5 p.m.  
Hakisan Maru ... 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.  
Aki Maru ... 4.30 a.m.  
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Tango Maru ... 5 p.m.  
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**AT GENEVA.**

**PERSIAN AND CHINESE CLAIMS.**

**SUPPORTED BY JAPAN.**

Geneva, Sept. 14.

There was an interesting and animated discussion in Committee dealing with the draft resolution referring to the rules for the election of non-permanent members of the Council, their term of office, and the conditions for re-eligibility.

Prince Arfa ed Dowleh (Persia) claimed two seats for the Asiatic Continent. He referred, amid hilarity, to the scheme submitted to the Committee as dividing the League into classes—aristocracy, nobility, bourgeoisie, and proletariat—which he applied to the various terms of office of the non-permanent members.—Reuter.

**Japan Backs China.**

Geneva, Sept. 14.

In the course of the discussion on the rules for the election of non-permanent members of the Council of the League Prince Arfa ed Dowleh (Persia) and Mr. Chu (China) reaffirmed their claims to seats.

Mr. Adami (Japan) spoke sympathetically of Persia's and China's claims.

Mr. Chu urged that there should be two seats for Asia. He added that if the claim was not satisfied this session it would come up next session.

Lord Cecil pointed out the constitutional difficulties in the way of meeting the claims and suggested that the Persian and Chinese delegates should be satisfied if the report to the Assembly mentioned that adequate representation had been given to the question.

**Rules Adopted.**

After a lengthy discussion the Committee agreed to the rules governing the election of non-permanent members of the Council, their term of office, and the conditions of re-eligibility.

The rules provide for an election each year of three non-permanent members, whose term will commence immediately on election.

In the event of a vacancy the seat will be filled by election.

A member may not be re-elected during the period between the expiration of his term of office and the third election unless the Assembly by a two-thirds majority previously decide that he is re-eligible.

The Assembly may at any time by a two-thirds majority decide to proceed with a new election of all non-permanent members of the Council.—Reuter.

**"The Last Act."**

Geneva, Sept. 14.

What Sir Austen Chamberlain smilingly described to Reuter's representative as "the last act" of the Locarno Pact was staged in the Secretary-General's room when all the signatories thereto deposited their ratifications.

The representatives of all seven nations concerned were present. There were no speeches. The proceedings, which lasted only ten minutes, merely consisted of affixing signatures, the shaking of hands by the delegates, and the despatch of a congratulatory telegram to the Mayor of Locarno.—Reuter.

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Rugby, September 14.

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The "Aquitania," which is 868 feet long, is the largest vessel hitherto built on the Clyde, and special dredging was necessary for it.

The two present largest ships, the "Majestic" and the "Leviathan," are 815½ feet and 867½ feet long respectively.—British Wireless Service.

**ADVICE TO MINERS.**

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**AWAITING NEXT MOVE.**

London, Sept. 14.

The Miners' Executive has requested the miners to decline to accept terms offered locally, but await instructions from the Executive pending the Government's decision upon the owners' refusal of a national conference.—Reuter.

**Deadlock Discussed.**

London, Sept. 14.

The Cabinet Coal Committee discussed the deadlock for two hours.

It is understood that a report on the general situation has been prepared and will be submitted to a meeting of the full Cabinet on Thursday.

Mr. Baldwin is expected back in London to-morrow.

It is believed that the Committee concluded that no action is expedient till Mr. Baldwin's return.—Reuter.

**The Next Move?**

Rugby, Sept. 14.

The members of the Central Committee of the Coal Owners, after informing Mr. Churchill yesterday that the District Associations had rejected his proposal for negotiations on a national basis, dispersed and left London.

It is authoritatively stated to-day that the next move which the Government will make, with the object of ending the deadlock will be to summon the representatives of the District Coal Owners' Associations to London to discuss the position and to decide how far a basis of negotiation exists. This step will be taken after the return of Mr. Baldwin from Aix les Bains to-morrow evening.

The Executive Committee of the Miners' Federation met to-day to consider the position and decided to request the miners in every area to resist the "efforts of the coal owners to secure their defeat" and to await further instructions pending the decision of the Government.—British Wireless Service.

**SPAIN'S PLEBISCITE.**

**COUNTRY'S CONFIDENCE IN PREMIER.**

**PROVISIONAL RESULTS.**

Madrid, Sept. 14.

The provisional results of the plebiscite to enable the people to register their approval of General Primo de Rivera's regime show that nearly three million signatures have been given in favour of the Government. Several provincial figures are outstanding.—Reuter.

**ITALY'S RISK.**

**COMPROMISING FRENCH AMITY.**

Geneva, September 13.

On the articles in the Italian papers and the remarks of Mussolini reproaching France with excessive tolerance as to anti-Fascists, M. Briand has had an interview with the Italian delegate, Signor Grandi, to whom he observed that such an attitude was highly regrettable, because of the risk of compromising the friendship of the two nations.—Havas.

**WHERE IS COBHAM?**

**SOME ANXIETY FELT AT HOME.**

**EXPERTS OPTIMISTIC.**

Rugby, Sept. 14.

Some anxiety is felt regarding Mr. Alan Cobham, who is making a return flight from Australia to Britain.

Nothing has been heard of him since September 10, when he cabled to the "Daily Mail" that the monsoon had compelled him to land at Victoria Point, in Burma, on his way to Rangoon. This cablegram was despatched from Renong, in Siam, which lies across a narrow strip of water ten to fifteen miles from Victoria Point, the latter having no telegraphic communications. It is assumed that the message was taken to Renong by some native craft.

The Burma Government has telegraphed to the Governor of Renong asking for news of the airman, and a reply is awaited.

Reports from Rangoon, which is about 500 miles north of Victoria Point, stated that the weather at Victoria Point has been bad and that the depression which has formed in the neighbourhood of the Andaman Islands is usually the precursor of a cyclone in the Bay of Bengal. These conditions would hold up the flight and might even interfere with communication between Victoria Point and Renong.

In circles connected with Mr. Cobham the opinion is expressed that the airman is too experienced to take unnecessary risks, in a storm and that he is waiting safely at Victoria Point.—British Wireless Service.

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